Shock

Causes

Shock may be caused by severe or minor trauma to the body

Effects

Shock stuns and weakens the body. When the normal blood flow in the body is upset, death can result.

Symptoms

Sweaty but cool skin, palness of skin, restlessness, thirst, loss of awareness, rapid breathing, bluish skin, nausea and/or vomiting

Treatment

Do NOT move the casualty if suspected fractures have not been splinted. Move casualty to cover if situation permits. Lay casualty on his back. Elevate casualty's feet higher than the level of his heart.