

Chest X-ray quiz

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Question

This patient is a 31 year-old male who was involved in a motor-vehicle accident in which the air bag deployed. He was very breathless on arrival in the local Hospital's Emergency Department. On examination he had no breath sounds over the right hemithorax and a hyperresonant note to percussion. What is the problem? What needs to be done?

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