

SNS COLLEGE OF PHYSIOTHERAPY



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Unit 2: Fractures and Dislocations

1. Types of Fractures

A 22-year-old male presents with a suspected forearm fracture after a fall. Priya observes swelling and deformity but is unsure whether it's an open or closed fracture.

Challenge: How should Priya classify and assess the fracture type?

Possible Solutions:

- 1. Inspect for skin integrity to differentiate open vs. closed fracture.
- 2. Perform a neurovascular assessment to check for complications.
- 3. Recommend an X-ray to confirm fracture type and pattern.
- 4. Immobilize the limb and consult the orthopedic team.