

<p><b>Case report 1:</b> A newborn baby arrived at the hospital after almost 1.5 hours of travel, during which he was cyanosed</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expected result: brain damage</li> <li>• Level of knowledge of the individual who attended the incident: none</li> <li>• Pre-hospital care: breathing for the infant and sucking secretions</li> </ul>
<p><b>Case report 2:</b> Child pulled by the hand by the rescuers from underneath a car in a car accident</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Result: broken spine</li> <li>• Level of knowledge of the individual who attended the incident: none</li> <li>• Pre-hospital care: spine support</li> </ul>
<p><b>Case report 3:</b> A 3-year-old child arrived dead at the hospital</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cause: swallowed a large piece of soap.</li> <li>• Level of knowledge of the individual who attended the incident: none</li> <li>• Pre-hospital: Heimlich manoeuvre</li> </ul>

Figure 1 **Examples of poor pre-hospital practice by members of the public in paediatric emergencies**

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