**Procedure:**
- A forearm or humerus x-ray is ordered for the following injuries:

**Indications:**
Direct blow or trauma to the forearm or humerus (involving movement of either arm/wrist or object through an arc of motion) and:

Deformity

**Contraindications:**
- Known or suspected pregnancy
- Unstable patient-physician to be contacted immediately
- Signs or symptoms of neurovascular compromise in the affected limb-physician to be contacted immediately
- Open fractures will be assessed by the emergency physician directly
- Patient is intoxicated or has other distracting injuries and is unable to follow direction, maintain motor control or is uncooperative

**Guidelines:**
- Do not order X ray in patients who have pain without a mechanism of injury

**References:**