



Jake may be suffering from a mild concussion. Monitor him for two hours to see if S/Sx show up. That aside, he failed your focused spine assessment due to neck pain and tenderness at C-4; yet, he *is* ambulatory and you *are* in on top of a narrow ridge. The only sane option you have is to continue along the route taking special care that Jake does not fall and hit his head again. Consider improvising and using a padded cervical collar from a SAM splint if it makes Jake more comfortable during the remainder of the traverse and the subsequent descent to camp. If Jake's neck pain worsens, consider contacting the ranger at the Chimney Pond Ranger Station with a request to contact and consult with a physician and, if necessary, help arranging emergency transport.

