



Although he remained awake throughout his swim, James suffered from a non-fatal drowning event. Because the water is clear and he did not lose consciousness while in the water, you can rule out the possibility James may develop pulmonary edema. Since James is awake and alert with no spine pain or tenderness and normal motor and sensory exams, you can rule out a spine injury. After cleaning his abrasions, he may safely continue with the rafting trip (if he wishes).