

BLUNT SPLEEN INJURY

Vascular anomaly:

1. pseudoaneurysm
2. A-V fistula
3. significant contrast extravasation or blush

High-risk pt.:

1. age > 55
2. large hemoperitoneum
3. concomitant solid organ injury
4. TBI.

Check CBC:

q 6 hrs x 24 hrs. after admission *or* after embolization, and q 24 hrs. thereafter.

Repeat the CT + contrast:

1. Hgb drop > 2 grams/24 hrs.
2. Absolute Hgb drop > 3 grams since admission unless explained by other injuries

