

Your team is out hiking and one of your teammates trips and suffers a dislocation of their shoulder and breaks several ribs.

There has been at least one recently published case of a stranded hiker with an ultrasound-confirmed glenohumeral joint dislocation who underwent ultrasound-guided intra-articular lidocaine injection and ultrasound-confirmed reduction. This procedure allowed the patient to hike out under his own power, avoiding the potential dangers of extrication to both patient and rescuers.¹



Image from Reference 1

Additionally, recent studies and meta-analyses have concluded "Intra-articular lidocaine may have similar efectiveness as IV sedation in the successful reduction of anterior shoulder dislocations in the ED with fewer adverse events, shorter ED length of stay, and no difference in pain scores or ease of reduction."²

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#3 Dislocation Station

1 Point	Navigate to this station and complete it within 10 minutes
1 Point	Demonstrate proper probe position and technique for diagnosing shoulder dislocation via ultrasound (<i>Identify glenoid fossa, humeral head, spine of scapula, and supraspinatus tendon motion with internal/external rotation</i>)
1 Point	A common reason for failure of intrarticular lidocaine injections is using too short of a needle. Measure on your teammate the depth of the needle path from skin to glenoid labrum. How does this compare to a regular nursing needle (1" or 25mm) versus an 18g spinal needle (3.5" or 88mm)
1 Point	In the case of a typical anterior dislocation, describe two ways you can confirm that your
	needle is deep enough and properly located in the (now empty) glenohumeral fossa
1 Point	Properly describe the procedure for how to perform an intrarticular lidocaine injection of the shoulder. Must include: <i>Type of medication; Strength/Concentration; Amount; Needle Selection; Skin insertion site; and Description of Technique.</i>
1 Point	Perform an ultrasound guided intraarticular anesthetic block on the phantom
1 Point	Describe at least three different methods for reduction of a dislocated shoulder and how to confirm reduction
1 Point	The interscalene nerve block is another useful method for providing anesthesia/analgesia for a shoulder reduction. Name one key advantage of the interscalene nerve block over an intrarticular block.
1 Point	The interscalene block also has downsides. Name one key adverse physiologic effect that the interscalene block has. Which patient population is this most dangerous in?
1 Point	Identify with POCUS on your teammate the key anatomy for an interscalene block and Identify each of the three key structures (or elements of the "traffic light sign" if you prefer