

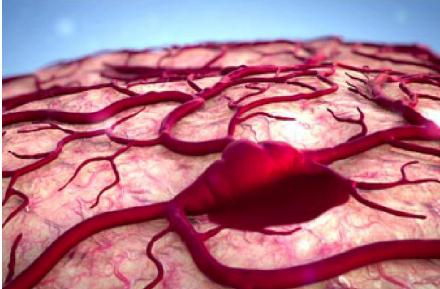
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## Subdural Hematoma (acute)







#### Overview

This is a buildup of clotted blood beneath the dura. That's a membrane that covers your brain. The blood can press harmfully against your brain.

### **How it Forms**

This type of hematoma is often caused by a violent blow to your head that stretches and tears blood vessels around your brain. The blood vessels leak, letting blood pool against the brain. A hematoma can also happen even without a head injury if a weak artery in your head bursts.

#### **Symptoms**

If your hematoma is small, you may not notice any symptoms. But a large clot can cause headaches, weakness and nausea. It can cause problems with vision, speech, and confusion. You may have seizures. You may lose consciousness. This can be fatal.

#### **Treatment**

An acute subdural hematoma is an emergency condition. You need to be treated quickly to prevent permanent damage. Your healthcare provider can create a plan that is right for you.