

ED discharge summary

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Logan Hospital - Emergency Department

Date: 01/09/2026

Patient: Helen Ward

Age: 74 years

Sex: Female

GP: Dr Luke Adams, Rochedale Family Clinic

PRESENTATION

Presented to the Emergency Department at 09:05 on 01/09/2026 with head injury while anticoagulated.

HISTORY

Earlier the same day (approximately 07:45) the patient tripped over a loose mat at home and sustained a minor occipital head strike. There was no loss of consciousness. The patient's spouse contacted a health advice line because of the patient's use of apixaban.

Background: atrial fibrillation, hypertension, osteoarthritis. Normally lives with spouse and walks without an aid. Allergy: codeine (vomiting).

EXAMINATION

Neurological examination was normal.

INVESTIGATIONS

Non-contrast CT head performed 01/09/2026 (result available 11:30): no acute intracranial haemorrhage and no skull fracture. No acute traumatic abnormality.

ASSESSMENT

Minor head injury in a patient on apixaban, with no acute intracranial abnormality on CT. Remained stable during observation, with no vomiting and no neurological change.

MEDICATIONS

- Apixaban 5 mg twice daily - continued. CT showed no intracranial bleeding and no bleeding symptoms developed.
- Amlodipine 5 mg once daily - unchanged.
- Paracetamol as required - unchanged.

DISPOSITION

Discharged home on 01/09/2026, stable after observation.

SAFETY-NETTING

Return urgently if there is worsening headache, vomiting, confusion, weakness or drowsiness.

FOLLOW-UP

- GP review after head injury - due 08/09/2026, Rochedale Family Clinic (Dr Luke Adams).
- Monitor for delayed neurological symptoms - patient and spouse, until 03/09/2026.