

# First aid fact sheet

# **Recovery position**







#### What to do

### Adult or child (over 1 year)

- With the patient on their back, kneel beside the patient and position their arms.
  - Place the patient's furthest arm directly out from their body.
  - Place the patient's nearest arm across their chest.
- 2 Position the patient's legs.
  - Lift the patient's nearest leg at the knee and place their foot on the floor so the leg is bent.
- 3 Roll the patient into position.
  - Roll the patient away from you onto their side, carefully supporting their head and neck the whole time.
  - Keep the patient's leg bent with their knee touching the ground to prevent the patient rolling onto their face.
- 4 Place the patient's hand under their chin to stop their head from tilting and to keep their airway open.



## Infant (under 1 year)

- 1 Lie the infant face down on your forearm.
- 2 Support the infant's head with your hand.

In a medical emergency call Triple Zero (000)

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