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## When seizures occur $\rightarrow$ Recovery Position

Figures A–D: The recovery position









- A. Kneel on the floor on one side of the person. Place the arm closest to you at a right angle to their body with the person's hand upwards towards the head (see Figure A above).
- B. Place the other hand under the side of the person's head, so that the back of the hand is touching the cheek (see Figure B above).
- C. Bend the knee furthest from you to a right angle. Roll the person carefully onto his or her side by pulling on the bent knee (see Figure C above).
- D. The person's top arm should be supporting the head and the bottom arm will stop the person from rolling too far (see Figure D above). Open the person's airway by gently tilting his or her head back and lifting the chin, and check that nothing is blocking the airway. This manoeuvre moves the tongue out of the airway and helps the person breathe better and prevents choking from secretions and vomit.
  - Do not try to restrain or hold the person to the floor.
  - Do not put anything in the person's mouth.
  - Move any hard or sharp objects away from the person to prevent injury.
  - Stay with the person until the seizure stops and the person regains consciousness.



