Atelectasis and collapse
Radiological features of lobar collapse

What will I gain from this video?
After watching this video, you will know how to look for and identify collapse on a chest X-ray.

Radiological signs of lobar collapse
- Direct
- Indirect
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Direct—shift of the fissures

Hallmark of lobar collapse

Indirect:
- Increased lung opacity
- Compensatory hyperinflation of the surrounding lung
- Hilar shift
- Mediastinal shift
- Elevated diaphragm
- Crowding of the ribs
- Crowding of pulmonary vessels
- Obscured cardiac, mediastinal, or diaphragmatic borders

Collapsed lung becomes too white
Compensatory hyperinflation of the surrounding and opposite lung

Hilar shift

Mediastinal shift
Elevated diaphragm

Crowding of ribs

Crowding of vessels
Look at the lateral.

Direct evidence of collapse—shift of the fissures.

Indirect evidence of collapse—related to loss of lung volume, displacement of normal structures.

Can be difficult to identify if complete.