SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF STRANGULATION

NEUROLOGICAL
- Loss of memory
- Loss of consciousness
- Behavioral changes
- Loss of sensation
- Extremity weakness
- Difficulty speaking
- Fainting
- Urination
- Defecation
- Vomiting
- Dizziness
- Headaches

SCALP
- Petechiae
- Bald spots (from hair being pulled)
- Bump to the head (from blunt force trauma or falling to the ground)

EYES & EYELIDS
- Petechiae to eyeball
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- Bloody red eyeball(s)
- Vision changes
- Droopy eyelid

FACE
- Petechiae (tiny red spots - slightly red or florid)
- Scratch marks
- Facial drooping
- Swelling

CHEST
- Chest pain
- Redness
- Scratch marks
- Bruising
- Abrasions

MOUTH
- Bruising
- Swollen tongue
- Swollen lips
- Cuts/abrasions
- Internal Petechiae

NECK
- Redness
- Scratch marks
- Finger nail impressions
- Bruising (thumb or fingers)
- Swelling
- Ligature Marks

VOICE & THROAT CHANGES
- Raspy or hoarse voice
- Coughing
- Unable to speak
- Nausea
- Drooling
- Sore throat
- Stridor
- Painful to swallow
- Clearing the throat

BREATHING CHANGES
- Difficulty breathing
- Respiratory distress
- Unable to breathe


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