

# TRAUMA TEAM ACTIVATION GUIDELINES

## Trauma Patient arrived to the ED via Ambulance, Air Ambulance, or Private Auto

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**MECHANISM OF INJURY** – All of the following injuries that occurred within the last 24 hours

- Motorcycle crash > 20 mph
- Auto-Pedestrian > 5 mph
- Fall > 20 feet
- Motor vehicle crash that includes:
  - Ejection from the vehicle
  - Death of occupant in the same passenger compartments
  - Extrication > 20 minutes
  - Vehicle roll over
  - Speed  $\geq$  40 mph
- Water craft injuries > 5mph
- Hanging
- Significant crush injury
- Combination of Trauma and Burns
- Snake Bite

Pediatrics (**defined as 16 years or under**) – all of the above PLUS:

- Pediatric falls > 10 feet
- Pediatric Auto-bicycle injuries

Age >65

- Motor vehicle crash  $\geq$  20mph
- Fall > 5 feet or with obvious fractures (excludes syncope and found down)

### ANATOMIC INJURY

- Penetrating injury to: head, neck, torso, extremities (above the wrist and ankle).  
*Excludes stingray wounds and minor lacerations*
- Flail chest
- $\geq$  2 long bone fractures (combination leg and arm fractures)
- Paralysis
- Amputation or Near Amputation (above the wrist or ankle)
- Pelvic fractures
- Open depressed skull fracture

### PHYSIOLOGIC CHANGES

- GCS < 14
- Systolic BP < 90 mmHg (PTA or in the ED)
- Respiratory Rate < 10 or > 29
- Loss of consciousness secondary to injury (excluding syncope and found down)

Pediatric – all of the above PLUS:

- SBP < 80 on child 6 – 13
- SBP < 70 on child 1 – 6
- SBP < 60 on child birth to 1 year

### CONCURRENT CONDITIONS

- Serious disease (cardiac, respiratory, cirrhosis, renal failure)
- Bleeding disorders or **CONFIRMED** anticoagulant therapy (to include Coumadin, Plavix, Lovenox, and Heparin)
- Pregnancy > 20 weeks (excludes fall from standing)

## **Trauma Stat Criteria for both Adult and Pedi**

Patients who meet the criteria below are to be paged as  
**Trauma Stat**

Arm or leg amputations

**Or**

GSW to the head, neck, chest, and/or abdomen (torso)

**Or**

Confirmed Systolic BP <90

**Or**

Intubated or severe respiratory distress/obstruction

**Or**

GCS<8

**Or**

Neurological symptoms secondary to a possible spinal cord injury

**Or**

Administration of steroids for neurological symptoms

**Or**

Stabbing to the Torso