



Trauma Nurse Specialist

1. Receives report from EMS and/or outlying facility.
2. Reports to trauma room and signs in.
3. Relays reports to trauma team members.
4. Assists with resuscitation readiness: prepares room, paperwork, supplies, fluid warmer, etc.
5. Adheres to safety and universal precaution guidelines.
6. Assumes role of nursing team leader and provides bedside nursing care as indicated.
7. Continuously monitors resuscitation and patient care.
8. Communicates with other team members regarding completion of laboratory tests, X-rays, etc.
9. Reports procedures and interventions to recorder as they occur.
10. Determines nursing assignments for transport and for the care of multiple patients.
11. May accompany patient to diagnostic tests and final disposition.
12. May assume the role of any nurse or recorder at any time.
13. May assist OR/ICU staff with continued care of the patient.
14. Completes documentation and charges.
15. Ensures trauma room readiness for future patients.



Emergency Room Nurse

1. Reports to trauma room and signs in.
2. Receives assignment from trauma nurse specialist in the event of multiple patients.
3. Assists with trauma room readiness: prepares fluid warmer or IV as needed.
4. Adheres to safety and universal precaution guidelines.
5. Assumes position at patient's side furthest from crash cart.
6. Assists with placing patient on the monitor, maintaining BP cuff on non-IV, non-injured extremity when available.
7. Confirms patency of existing IV's, establishes additional peripheral IV sites as needed, drawing blood sample with site initiation when possible. Ensures at least one unoccupied large bore site available for CT scan when necessary.
8. Obtains pain scale and reports result to recorder.
9. Obtains EKG strip and delivers to recorder.
10. Verbalizes EMS IV fluid intake and sites to recorder.
11. For arrest, initiates chest compressions and follows ACLS protocols.
12. Obtains and administers medications as directed in the absence of pharmacist.
13. Initiates/assists with foley catheter insertion when appropriate.
14. Assists with wound cleansing and dressing application.
15. Assists with orthopedic procedures when appropriate. Ensures the need for fracture stabilization before transport has been addressed.
16. Prepares patient for transportation to diagnostic tests or final disposition.
17. Removes all jewelry/valuables and give to recorder.
18. Ensures all belongings are gathered & documented appropriately.



19. Ensures the secondary assessment is complete before leaving the trauma bay.
20. Frequently assumes the role of the recorder and/or trauma specialist.
21. Accompanies patient to diagnostic procedures and to final disposition from the trauma bay.
22. Completes trauma documentation and charges.
23. Ensures trauma room readiness for future patients.
24. Checks all crash carts and the beginning of shift.
25. Updates call schedule on dry erase board each morning.



Intensive Care Nurse

1. Reports to trauma room and signs in.
2. Assists with trauma room readiness.
3. Adheres to safety and universal precaution guidelines.
4. Assumes position at patient's bedside nearest the crash cart.
5. Assists with placing patient on the monitor. Monitors for trends & changes, correlates these with patient status, and reports both to the physician & recorder.
6. Obtains and reports temperature.
7. Ensures all aspects of the primary survey are completed quickly.
8. For arrest, follows ACLS protocol, defibrillates, and administers medications from crash carts.
9. Assists with volume resuscitation & runs Level I Infuser when needed.
10. Sets up Thoraklex/ATS when necessary.
11. Provides bedside nursing care, including insertion of, OG, and assisting with invasive procedures and monitoring when appropriate.
12. Reports all interventions to recorder.
13. Frequently assumes the role of OR staff when necessary.
14. Is dismissed by senior resident when patient is stable and invasive procedures are complete.



Operating Room Staff

1. Reports to trauma room and signs in.
2. Assists with clothing removal.
3. Upon patient arrival, removes blankets from the warmer & applies them to patient.
4. Assists surgeons with procedures as necessary.
5. Assists surgeons with laceration repair.
6. Notifies OR of need for surgery when applicable.
7. Initiates/Assists with foley catheter insertion.
8. Is dismissed from the trauma room by the senior resident when all procedures are complete.



Respiratory Therapist

1. Reports to trauma room and signs in.
2. Adheres to safety and universal precaution guidelines.
3. Prepares for oxygen delivery and intubation.
4. Assists anesthesia with intubation when directed, secures endotracheal tube, and supports respiration with 100% oxygen via bag/valve device or ventilator.
5. For arrest, alternates with nursing for chest compressions and ventilation.
6. Monitors airway and respiratory status throughout resuscitation, including end-tidal CO₂ and oxygen saturation. Verbalizes findings to recorder.
7. Accompanies patient to diagnostic tests and procedures until their final disposition.
8. Reports to receiving therapist before relinquishing care.



Radiology

1. Reports in to recorder.
2. Readies equipment for patient's arrival.
3. Stands aside until directed by senior resident to approach patient and perform radiographs.
4. Processes films and ensures their prompt availability on the viewing system.
5. Communicates with radiologist for interpretations when requested.
6. Is dismissed by the senior resident from the trauma room when all radiographs are complete.



Laboratory

1. Reports in to recorder.
2. Completes trauma requisition.
3. Obtains blood from patient within 6 minutes of arrival. Notifies senior trauma resident if not directed to draw labs within 10 minutes of arrival.
4. Uses betadine prep.
5. Draws all blood requested by law enforcement.
6. Runs lab STAT and calls results to trauma nurse specialist or ER nurse when specialist unavailable.



Security

1. Responds to helipad or ambulance bay and directs emergency crews to trauma bay.
2. Maintains crowd control and directs family to appropriate waiting area.
3. Remains outside trauma bay during resuscitation for crowd control.
4. Secures elevator for rapid transport to operating room when necessary.
5. Secures patient belongings when appropriate.



Pharmacist

1. Reports in to recorder.
2. Acts as a resource & provides recommendations to the trauma team when necessary
3. Gives medications & coordinates with central pharmacy when necessary.
4. Gives intubation medications when necessary.
5. Assists with volume resuscitation.
6. Ensures dT status is current or updated in the bay.
7. Ensures antibiotics are given for open fractures in the bay.



ED Technician

1. Reports availability to trauma specialist.
2. Remains behind the yellow line until directed by trauma specialist to approach patient.
3. Assists with clothing removal/applying warm blankets as requested.
4. Assists with chest compressions as requested.
5. Assists with holding direct pressure as requested.
6. Assists with cleaning/restocking of the trauma bay & equipment.
7. Assists with obtaining supplies not readily available.
8. Assists orthopedics with splinting as requested.
9. Assists with post-mortem care as needed.
10. Assists with transportation as requested.
11. Completes 12-Lead EKG as requested.
12. May transport non-monitored patients to final disposition.