

Adult Trauma Activation (>18)

Activating a Type 1 or Type 2 Trauma Activation is an independent nursing function

** Concurrent cutaneous burns and/or inhalation injury, Burn Team must also be activated**



Type 1 Unstable

Evaluate for signs of shock...

Confirmed Systolic BP

- Transfer receiving blood to maintain vital signs
- Traumatic Cardiac Arrest

- <90mmHg at any time
- *pre-hospital OR in trauma bay*
- Consider based on mechanism- elderly (>65) and a SBP <110

NO

Type 1 Stable

SBP >90mmHg AND...

Respiratory Compromise Due to Trauma

- intubation pre-hospital
- obstruction
- respiratory compromise
- respiratory rate <10 or >29

Neuro

- GCS <9 with mechanism attributed to trauma

Mechanism

- GSW to the head, neck, chest, or abd
- GSW to extremities proximal to the elbow or knee

NO

Type 2

Neuro

- GCS 9-13

Mechanism

- burn/trauma combined
- explosion
- High voltage >1000v.
- unknown mechanism
- 'found down in a house fire'
- Ejection from vehicle
- partial or complete

- Fall > 20 feet
- 1 story=10ft
- MCC or ATV accident
- Drowning/asphyxiation

Anatomic Criteria

- amputation (proximal to wrist or ankle)
- chest wall instability (ex. flail)
- crush/deglove/mangled/pulseless ext.
- open/depressed skull fracture
- open long bone fracture
- Two or more proximal long bone fractures

- paralysis (new onset)
- stab/cut/puncture (head, neck, torso & proximal to elbow and knee)
- pelvic injury
- Preg. > 16weeks w/ trauma

NO

Consult

The Emergency Medicine Physician or designee will notify the page operator to initiate a Trauma Consult after initial patient evaluation. A Trauma Consult is an independent physician function.