



You live in a TRAUMA REGION

A trauma region is a designated set of counties that coordinate community injury prevention activities, emergency medical services, hospitals, trauma centers, and rehabilitation services to improve patient care. Six Kansas Trauma Regions work together to form the Kansas Trauma System.



Traumatic Injury



EMS



Trauma Center



Rehabilitation & Survival

Not all hospitals are TRAUMA CENTERS.

Where you go for care matters.

Go to the Emergency Room for:	Go to a Trauma Center for:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible broken bones Mild Burns Signs of Heart attack Shortness of breath Fainting Loss of consciousness Signs of Stroke Severe stomach pain Severe or persistent vomiting or diarrhea Drug Overdose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicle Crashes Gunshot Wounds Stab Wounds Severe Burns Serious falls Brain injuries Blunt Trauma Near Drownings
Resources Available:	Resources Available:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Located in a hospital Staffed by Emergency Department physicians and nurses Patients are triaged, life-threatening conditions seen first Stabilize patients for further care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Located within the hospital's ER Staffed by specially trained trauma surgeons, emergency physicians, advanced practitioners, and nurses Patients with severe injuries are treated immediately Proven to increase survival rates

LEVEL I

Level I Trauma Centers provide the highest level of care for patients. These facilities have a full range of specialists and equipment available 24 hours a day. These facilities also offer teaching and research components.



Specialists



Teaching



Research

LEVEL II

Level II Trauma Centers provide the same services as Level I facilities without the research component. Level II facilities may not have specialists on-hand 24/7, but they have them on call.



Specialists



Teaching

LEVEL III

Level III Trauma Centers do not have the full availability of specialists Level I and Level II centers do, but they do have resources for emergency surgery and intensive care. In some cases, the facility might have to transfer patients.



Surgery



Transfer

LEVEL IV

Level IV Trauma Centers provide initial evaluation, stabilization and diagnostic capabilities but will likely have to transfer the patient to a trauma care center with a higher designation.



Evaluation



Stabilize



Diagnostic



Transfer

HOSPITALS

Non-trauma center emergency rooms can typically stabilize most traumatic injuries before transferring to a trauma center.



Stabilize



Transfer