

PURPOSE:

To ensure a timely trauma focused evaluation of any injury patient admitted to a non-surgical service.

POLICY STATEMENT:

Trauma Services will be consulted on any multiply injured patient requiring admission.

ENTITIES AFFECTED BY THIS POLICY (SCOPE):

WakeMed General Surgery Raleigh and Cary, WPP Hospitalist, WPP Pediatrics, Emergency Physician

WHO SHOULD READ THIS POLICY:

This policy shall be read by department supervisors, managers, directors, and administrators. Furthermore, any individual considering issuing, revising, assisting in the drafting of, or archiving a policy.

PROCEDURES:

- I. The Emergency Department will consult Trauma Services for a trauma-focused evaluation of any multiply injured patient who is to be admitted.
- II. Single system injured patients may be admitted to a non-surgical service if the appropriate specialty service is consulted to manage the injury.
- III. Trauma Services staff will review all non-surgical admissions for appropriateness of admission, care, and consults per recommendations found in Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient (ACS-COT). Any identified issues will be reviewed in the performance improvement process.

I. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

American College of Surgeons. (2018). *Trauma*. [online] Available at: https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/trauma.

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