

## **100137.06 Level IV Trauma Center**

A Level IV trauma center is a licensed hospital which has been designated as a Level IV trauma center by the local EMS agency. A Level IV trauma center shall include equipment and resources necessary for initial stabilization and personnel knowledgeable in the treatment of adult and pediatric trauma. A Level IV trauma center shall have at least the following:

### **(a)**

A trauma program medical director who is a qualified specialist whose responsibilities include, but are not limited to, factors that affect all aspects of trauma care, including pediatric trauma care, such as: (1) recommending trauma team physician privileges; (2) working with nursing administration to support the nursing needs of trauma patients; (3) developing treatment protocols; (4) having authority and accountability for the quality improvement peer review process; (5) correcting deficiencies in trauma care or excluding from trauma call those trauma team members who no longer meet the standards of the quality improvement program; and (6) assisting in the coordination of the budgetary process for the trauma program.

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assisting in the coordination of the budgetary process for the trauma program.

**(b)**

A trauma nurse coordinator/manager who is a registered nurse with qualifications including evidence of educational preparation and clinical experience in the care of adult and/or pediatric trauma patients, administrative ability, and responsibilities that include, but are not limited to: (1) organizing services and systems necessary for the multidisciplinary approach to the care of the injured patient; (2) coordinating day-to-day clinical process and performance improvement as it pertains to nursing and ancillary personnel; and (3) collaborating with the trauma program medical director in carrying out the educational, clinical, research, administrative and outreach activities of the trauma program.

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**(3)**

collaborating with the trauma program medical director in carrying out the educational, clinical, research, administrative and outreach activities of the trauma program.

**(c)**

A trauma service which can provide for the implementation of the requirements specified in this Section and provide for coordination with the local EMS agency.

**(d)**

The capability of providing prompt assessment, resuscitation and stabilization to trauma patients.

**(e)**

The ability to provide treatment or arrange transportation to higher level trauma center as appropriate.

**(f)**

An emergency department, division, service, or section staffed so that trauma patients are assured of immediate and appropriate initial care.

**(g)**

A trauma team, which will be a multidisciplinary team responsible for the initial resuscitation and management of the trauma patient.

**(h)**

The following service capabilities: (1) Radiological service. The radiological service shall have a radiological technician promptly available. (2) Clinical laboratory service. A clinical laboratory service shall have: (A) a comprehensive blood bank or access to a community central blood bank; and (B) clinical laboratory services promptly available.

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**(i)**

Written transfer agreements with Level I, II or III trauma centers, Level I or II pediatric trauma centers, or other specialty care centers, for the immediate transfer of those patients for whom the most appropriate medical care requires additional resources.

**(j)**

An outreach program, to include: (1) capability to provide both telephone and on-site consultations with physicians in the community and outlying areas; and (2) trauma prevention for the general public.

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Continuing education. Continuing education in trauma care, shall be provided for: (1) staff physicians; (2) staff nurses; (3) staff allied health personnel; (4) EMS

personnel; and (5) other community physicians and health care personnel.

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