

100139 Interfacility Transfer of Trauma Patients

(a)

Patients may be transferred between and from trauma centers providing that: (1) any transfer shall be, as determined by the trauma center surgeon of record, medically prudent; and (2) in accordance with local EMS agency interfacility transfer policies.

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(b)

Hospitals shall have written transfer agreements with trauma centers. Hospitals shall develop written criteria for consultation and transfer of patients needing a higher level of care.

(c)

Hospitals which have repatriated trauma patients from a designated trauma center shall provide the information required by the system trauma registry, as specified by local EMS agency policies, to the transferring trauma center for inclusion in the system trauma registry.

(d)

Hospitals receiving trauma patients shall participate in system and trauma center quality improvement activities for those trauma patients which have been transferred.