

**Pennsylvania Statewide BLS Protocol #180 - Trauma Patient Destination
Compliance Checklist**

Category 1 – Physiological & Anatomical

- Patient does not follow commands (GCS Motor ≤ 5)
- Hypotension, even a single episode (SBP ≤ 90 mmHg in adults or SBP < 70 in children)
- Penetrating injury to head, neck, torso, and extremities proximal to elbow or knee (unless obviously superficial)
- Chest injuries with respiratory distress (for example, flail chest)
- Pelvic fractures
- Two or more proximal long bone fractures
- Limb paralysis (spinal cord injury)
- Amputation proximal to wrist or ankle

IF ANY BOX CHECKED, PROCEED TO LOGISTICAL SECTION

Transport to closest trauma center by most appropriate mode. If 30 minutes or less, should go by ground. If > 45 minutes or grossly unstable, may go to closest facility for initial stabilization. Medical command not required for air ambulance authorization if > 30 minutes by ground.

Category 2 – Mechanism and Other Factors Combined with Trauma

- Falls: Adult > 20 feet (one story = 10 feet)
 Peds > 10 feet or 2-3 x height of child

High Risk Auto Crash:

- Pass. compartment intrusion > 12 in. occupant side or > 18 in. any side
- Ejection
- Death in same passenger compartment

Auto vs. Pedestrian/Bicyclist:

- Thrown, run over, or > 20 mph impact
- Motorcycle crash > 20 mph
- Age < 5 years or > 55 years
- Combination trauma with burns
- Crushed/degloved/mangled extremity or finger amputation
- Known bleeding disorder or taking coumadin/heparin
- Pregnancy (> 20 weeks)

IF ANY BOX CHECKED, PROCEED TO LOGISTICAL SECTION

Generally should be transported to closest trauma center by most appropriate mode. If 30 minutes or less, should go by ground. If > 45 minutes or grossly unstable, may go to closest facility for initial stabilization. Medical command required for air ambulance authorization if > 30 minutes by ground.

Category 3

If patient does not meet any criteria listed above, they should generally be transported to the closest or requested facility (by ground).

Notes:

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Logistical Information

Estimated ground transport time to closest trauma center ≤ 30 minutes (applicable to Category 1 and 2):

Yes No

Via www.maps.yahoo.com = _____ minutes to _____.
AND/OR

Via www.maps.google.com = _____ minutes to _____.

Documented adverse road /travel conditions (i.e. snow/ice, construction, rush hour)? Yes No

Patient required advanced care via flight team (i.e. RSI)? Yes No

MCI – even dispersment of patients required? Yes No

Compare : Time air ambulance arrived @ _____ = _____.
 Time ground arrives at closest trauma center per estimate above: _____
 Time saved by air: _____ vs. Time saved by ground: _____

Medical Command Information

Medical command required (Category 2)? Yes No

Medical command facility documented? Yes No

Medical command physician name and/or number documented? Yes No

Order/Authorization for flight documented? Yes No

Service comments / rationale for deviation from protocol:

Completed by: _____

Reviewed by: Crew Chief Supervisor Medical Director

Returned to CCDES with additional information? Yes No