

2.6 Adult Trauma Centers Admitting Pediatric Patients—TYPE I

Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII

Definition and Requirements

Adult trauma centers that care for 100 or more injured children under 15 years of age must have the following:

- Pediatric emergency department area
- Pediatric intensive care area
- Appropriate resuscitation equipment, as outlined in the pediatric readiness toolkit

Additional Information

This standard is applicable to programs that admit injured children but are not seeking pediatric verification. For the purposes of this standard, an admission is any patient who meets the NTDS inclusion criteria, which includes patients who meet the definition for observation status or are DOA.

Measures of Compliance

- Admission data for the reporting period
- Evaluated during the site visit process

Resources

Pediatric readiness toolkit, Emergency Medical Services for Children Innovation and Improvement Center: <https://emscimprovement.center/projects/pediatricreadiness/readiness-toolkit/>

ACS NTDS Data Dictionary: <https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/tqp/center-programs/ntdb/ntds/data-dictionary>

References

None