3.3 Operating Room for Orthopaedic Trauma Care—TYPE II

Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII, PTCI, PTCII

Definition and Requirements

Level I and II trauma centers must have a dedicated OR prioritized for fracture care in nonemergent orthopaedic trauma.

In a Level III trauma center, access to the OR must be made available for nonemergent orthopaedic trauma.

Additional Information

Skeletal fixation is often secondary to immediate and lifesaving resuscitative intervention; might be staged and often requires unique expertise. Predictable access to an OR assures that orthopaedic trauma care can be planned and that the right expertise will be available to provide optimal care.

Operational details related to staffing, frequency of availability, and use by other services should be collaboratively determined and approved by the TMD and the orthopaedic trauma leader. The frequency of availability should be sufficient to provide timely fracture care for patients.

Measures of Compliance

- OR orthopaedic schedule (LI, LII, PTCI, PTCII)
- OR schedule (LIII)

Resources

None

References

None