

## 4.10 Neurotrauma Care—TYPE I

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### Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII-N, PTCI, PTCII

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### Definition and Requirements

Level I and II trauma centers must have board-certified or board-eligible neurosurgeons continuously available for the care of neurotrauma patients.

Level III-N trauma centers must have board-certified or board-eligible neurosurgeons.

In Level I pediatric trauma centers, there must be at least one board-certified or board-eligible neurosurgeon who has completed a pediatric neurosurgery fellowship.

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### Additional Information

“Continuously” is defined as 24/7/365 and implies there are no gaps in coverage.

Level III-N trauma centers are those that provide neurotrauma care for patients with moderate to severe TBI, defined as GCS of 12 or less at the time of emergency department arrival.

Refer to Appendix A for details on board certification, board eligibility, and the Alternate Pathway.

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### Measures of Compliance

- Trauma neurosurgery call schedules
- Evidence of board certification, board eligibility, or Alternate Pathway approval
- Level I pediatric center: CV of a board-certified or board-eligible neurosurgeon who completed a pediatric neurosurgery fellowship

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### Resources

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### References

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