

## 4.15 Interventional Radiology Response for Hemorrhage Control—TYPE II

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### Applicable Levels

LI, LII, PTCI, PTCII

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### Definition and Requirements

Level I and II trauma centers must have the necessary human and physical resources continuously available so that an endovascular or interventional radiology procedure for hemorrhage control can begin within 60 minutes of request.

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### Additional Information

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

The response time is tracked from request to arterial puncture. It is not expected that every case undergoing intervention must be initiated within 60 minutes. The expectation is that if the clinical situation dictates the need for rapid intervention, that it can be initiated within 60 minutes.

Physician resources could include an interventional radiologist, a neurosurgeon/neurologist, or a vascular surgeon credentialed to perform angiography and embolization or stent placement.

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### Measures of Compliance

- Report of time interval between request and arterial puncture for patients undergoing interventions for hemorrhage control
- Call schedules

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### Resources

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### References

None