

## 4.31 Trauma Registry Staffing Requirements—TYPE II

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### Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII, PTCI, PTCII

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### Definition and Requirements

In all trauma centers, there must be at least 0.5 FTE dedicated to the trauma registry per 200–300 annual patient entries. The count of entries is defined as all patients who meet NTDS inclusion criteria, and those patients who meet inclusion criteria for hospital, local, regional and state purposes.

Combined adult and pediatric programs (Level I/II adult trauma center with Level II pediatric trauma center) may share resources, but someone must be identified as the lead pediatric registrar.

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### Additional Information

Trauma centers must take into account the additional tasks, beyond the abstraction and entry of patient data, that are assigned to the registrar. Processes such as report generation, data analysis, research assistance, and meeting various submission requirements will decrease the amount of time dedicated to the meticulous collection of patient data. While electronic downloads or automated data integration might offer advantages, they might also require additional oversight, and trauma centers must conduct their own assessment as to the impact. Regardless of how data are obtained, staffing levels must be adequate to perform these tasks to ensure the integrity and quality of the data.

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### Measures of Compliance

- Number of trauma registry personnel
- Annual trauma registry report that shows the volume of all entries

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### Resources

None

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### References

None