CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, SAN DIEGO
INTERNAL TRAUMA CRITERIA FOR:
-EMS NON-TRAUMA PATIENTS
-ED WALK-IN PATIENTS
-DIRECT ADMIT PATIENTS
-INTERFACILITY TRANSFER NON-TRAUMA PATIENTS

Meets Anatomic/Physiologic Criteria?

1. Traumatic arrest
2. Shock, as evidenced by:
   -Systolic BP < (70+2X age in years)
   -Tachycardia
   -Capillary refill > 3 seconds
   -Weak, thready or absent distal pulses
3. Respiratory compromise:
   -Abnormal resp. rate (defined by age)
   -Labored respirations
   -Cyanosis
   -Facial, neck or chest compromise
4. Significant head injury
   GCS < 13
5. Focal neurologic deficits
6. Paralysis or persistent extremity paresthesia(s)
7. Penetrating wound secondary to GSW/Stabbing/impalement (exc. distal extremities) deeper than subcutaneous tissues. (Meets, if questionable)
8. Penetrating oropharyngeal injury (if any question of neurologic or vascular injury or retropharyngeal free air/abscess. (See Oropharyngeal trauma algorithm)
9. Pelvic Instability
10. Evidence of an Acute AbdoJUN
11. 2 or More Long Bone Fractures
    (femur, humerus or tib/fib-counts as 1)
12. Significant vascular compromise in extremities (limb threat)
13. Diagnostic study results which suggest significant trauma (i.e. intracranial hemorrhage, intrathoracic findings, abdominal organ injury, pelvic injury or spinal fractures or ligamentous injury.)

Immediate Full Trauma Team Activation

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Meets Mechanism of Injury Criteria? (Event occurred within last 24 hours?)

1. Fall of > or = 15 feet (2nd story fall)
2. Motorized Vehicle Crash (i.e. car, truck, bus) with:
   -Severe Vehicular Damage (prolonged extrication)
   -Rollover (unrestrained)
   -Death of another occupant
3. ATV or Motorcycle crash or ejection or rollover at > 20mph
4. Pedestrian/Bicyclist struck by Motor Vehicle:
   -At > 20 mph
   -With significant damage to motor vehicle
   -Run over (with or without tire marks and proximal to the knee or elbow)
   -Thrown or dragged > 5 feet
   -With any alteration in level of consciousness
5. Hanging
6. Near drowning with history of diving or obvious signs of trauma (i.e. hematoma)
7. Any other mechanism of injury deemed to be significant
8. Child abuse (see NAT algorithm)

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Patient presenting with an index of suspicion for significant injury but without significant mechanism or signs and symptoms

Low Index of suspicion for serious or multisystem injury

ED Evaluation

Trauma Surgeon Consult (Prompt/30 min response)

ED etc.