

Suggested Criteria for Consideration of Transfer

Central Nervous System

- Penetrating injury/open fracture, with or without cerebrospinal fluid leak
- Depressed skull fracture
- GCS <14 or deterioration
- Spinal cord injury or major vertebral injury

Chest

- Major chest wall injury or pulmonary contusion
- Wide mediastinum or other signs suggesting great vessel injury
- Cardiac injury
- Patients who may require prolonged ventilation

Pelvis/Abdomen

- Unstable pelvic ring disruption
- Pelvic fracture with shock or other evidences of continuing hemorrhage
- Open pelvic injury
- Solid organ injury

Major Extremity Injuries

- Fracture/dislocation with loss of distal pulses
- Open long-bone fractures
- Extremity ischemia

Multiple-System Injury

- Head injury combined with face, chest, abdominal, or pelvic injury
- Burns with associated injuries
- Multiple long-bone fractures
- Injury to more than two body regions

Co-morbid Factors

- Age >55 years
- Children \leq 5 years of age
- Cardiac or respiratory disease
- Insulin-dependent diabetes, morbid obesity
- Pregnancy
- Immunosuppression

Secondary Deterioration (Late Sequelae)

- Mechanical ventilation required
- Sepsis
- Single or multiple organ system failure (deterioration in central nervous, cardiac, pulmonary, hepatic, renal, or coagulation systems)
- Major tissue necrosis