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Subject: Trauma Alert Criteria

Agencies,

This is a reminder of the current trauma criteria as of 4/2019. If the following conditions are met for a patient with a mechanism of injury, a "Trauma Alert" should be declared to the receiving hospital.

- Penetrating trauma to the head, neck or torso ' And/or
- Hemodynamically unstable
 - Adult: two blood pressures at least 5 minutes apart <90mmHg systolic
 - o Pediatric: two blood pressures at least 5 minutes apart <80mmHg systolic

If a patient does not meet these criteria, but there is still concern by the provider based on assessment, you may still call the hospital and give them a "heads up report." Its imperative that providers use a thorough assessment on all patients.

If you have further questions, please contact the EMS Office.