

## **Trauma Center Practice Management Policy**

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<b>MULTIDISCIPLINARY TRAUMA ROUNDS</b>	
<b>Policy #13</b>	
<b>ADULT AND PEDIATRIC Practice Management Policy</b>	<b>Effective: 11/20/1998</b>
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- I. PURPOSE:** To establish guidelines for weekly trauma team rounds to ensure appropriate management and implementation of a plan of care for the trauma patients and to facilitate appropriate care throughout the continuum of care and incorporating discharge planning. The following are goals of Multidisciplinary Rounds:
- A. Develop a culture of safety.
  - B. Facilitate communication among disciplines involved in the care of the trauma patient.
  - C. Develop a plan of care for each trauma patient collaboratively with all disciplines involved in the care of the patient.
  - D. Maximize appropriate resource utilization.
  - E. Maximize resident and ancillary staff education.
  - F. Minimize disruption to non-trauma services.
  - G. Involve the patient and family in decision-making for the plan of care for the patient.
  - H. Facilitate communication between the patient, family and all disciplines providing care to the trauma patient.
- II. STATEMENT:** Group discussion as a team encourages the formation of close professional relationships as well as the provision of an organized and collaborative approach to the care of the critically injured patient.

### **III. PROCEDURE:**

- A. Multidisciplinary Adult Trauma Rounds (MDR's) are usually held every Tuesday and Friday at 1100 in the CCU Conference Room.
- B. Multidisciplinary Trauma Rounds are directed by the Trauma Surgeon covering the trauma service or his/her designee.
- C. Multidisciplinary Trauma Rounds are coordinated by one of the Trauma Care Coordinators and/or his or her designee.
- D. Involved team members will receive a list of prospective patients to be discussed on the morning of rounds to facilitate knowledge and contribution to the patient reviews.
- E. The patient's nurse in the CCU is encouraged to attend MDR's; however if the RN is unable to attend, the Trauma Care Coordinator will communicate the CCU RN's comments, suggestions and questions to the Multidisciplinary Team and provide feedback to the CCU RN.
- F. Team members will be notified ASAP if Multidisciplinary Trauma Rounds become canceled due to unavoidable events.

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