

Paediatric Trauma Team Activation

University Hospital Wishaw



Mechanism

Fall >3m
Pedestrian/cyclist vs motor vehicle >20 mph
Prolonged entrapment
Strangulation/hanging
Driveway run over injuries
Handlebar injuries + abdominal/groin pain
Near drowning
High voltage electrocution
Fall from or trampled by large animal
Motor vehicles:

- ♦ Intrusion >30cm
- ♦ Ejection
- ♦ Death in same incident
- ♦ >35mph
- ♦ Bullseye on windscreen
- ♦ Major vehicle deformity

Physiology

GCS < 15
Absent vital signs
Child <5 years with SBP <60 or HR >180
Child >5 years with SBP <70 or HR >160

Special Considerations

Burns >10% (child)
Inhalation/circumferential burns

Anatomy

Penetrating injury to head/neck/torso
Significant bruising to chest or abdomen
2+ proximal limb fractures
Crushed, degloved, mangled or pulseless extremity
Amputation proximal to ankle or wrist
Suspected pelvic fracture
Open, depressed, basal skull #
Spinal injury with new neurology
1+ open long bone fractures

Call 2222 to activate the trauma team

Team can be activated at any point in the patient journey

State 'paediatric trauma to resus' with an ETA

PATIENTS MAY SELF-PRESENT

Criteria in line with RHCG trauma call out criteria

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