

# Proposed Draft Missouri Field Triage Protocol

## Step One

Assess life threatening conditions  
 Serious Airway or Respiratory Compromise that cannot be managed or immediate life threatening condition (ie, arrest)

Yes

No

Transport to closest hospital emergency department capable of managing immediate life threatening condition (within 30 minutes transport time via air or ground)

## Step Two

Assess Vital Signs and Level of Consciousness

	<u>ADULTS</u>	<u>PEDS</u>
• Systolic Blood Pressure < 90	< 70	< 70 0-12 months, < 80 1-5 yrs, < 90 6-12 yrs) or
• Glasgow Coma Scale < 14	< 14	Same, or
• Respiratory Rate < 10 or > 29	> 60 or > 29	> 60 0-12 months, > 44 1-5 years, > 30 6-12 years, > 22 13 years or older or
• Heart Rate > 120	> 120	> 160 0-12 months, > 130 1-5 years, > 115 6-12 years, > 100 13 or older

Meets "Severely Injured" Criteria

Yes

No

Transport to trauma center, preferentially highest level (I) in system (within 30 minutes transport time via air or ground)

## Step Three

Assess Anatomy of Injury

- All penetrating injuries to head, neck, torso, (groin?-boxer short area) and extremities proximal to elbow and knee
- Airway compromise or obstruction, flail chest, hemo- or pneumothorax, patients intubated on scene
- Two or more long-bone fractures
- Crush, degloved, pulseless or mangled extremity
- Amputation proximal to wrist and ankle
- Unstable vs suspected? Pelvic fractures
- Open or depressed skull fractures
- Paralysis or signs of spinal cord or cranial nerve injury
- Active or uncontrolled hemorrhage
- Major burns > 20% BSA or any signs of inhalation injury
- Amputation distal to wrist or ankle of two or more digits
- All open fractures
- Emergency Medicine Attending discretion
- PEDS: Maxillo-facial or upper airway injury
- PEDS: Burns of 10% BSA or more, chemical, electrical, circumferential, flame burns of face, or any signs of inhalational injury

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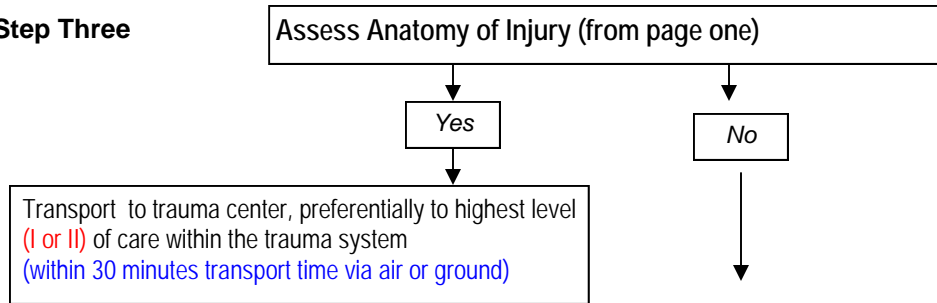
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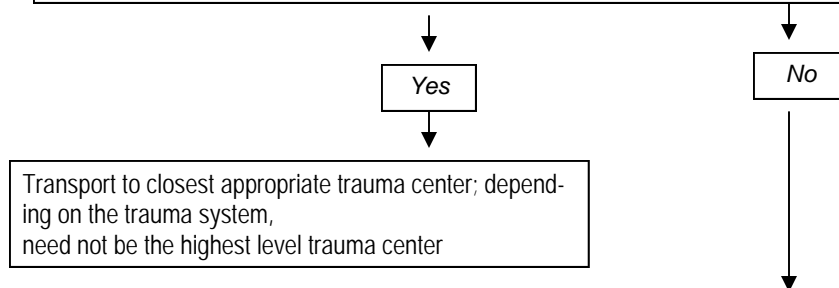
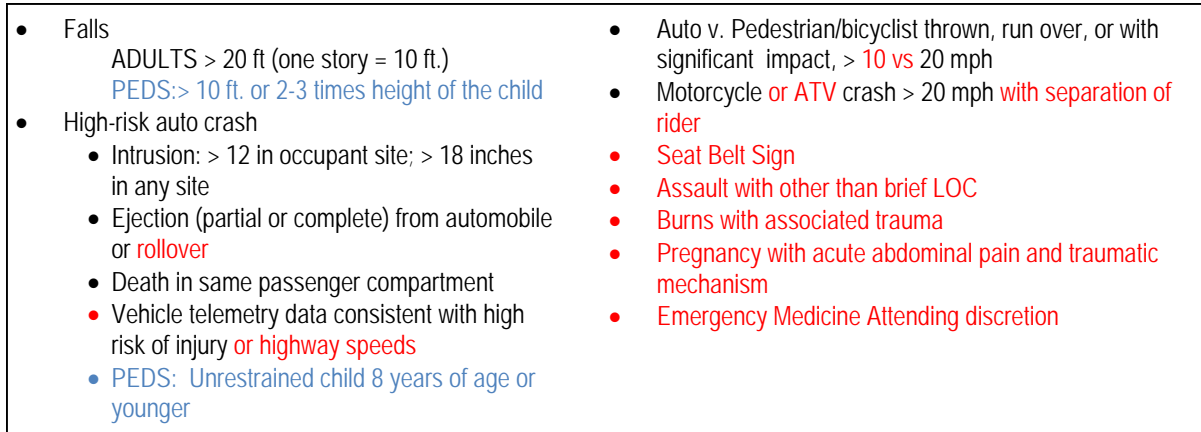
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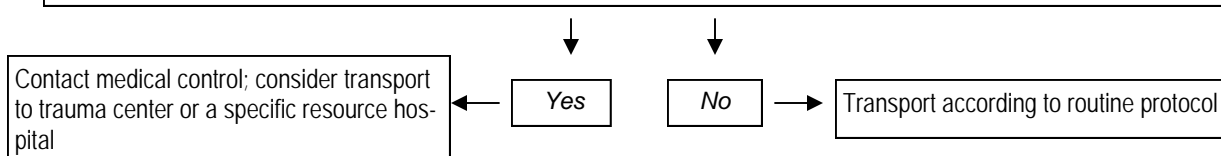
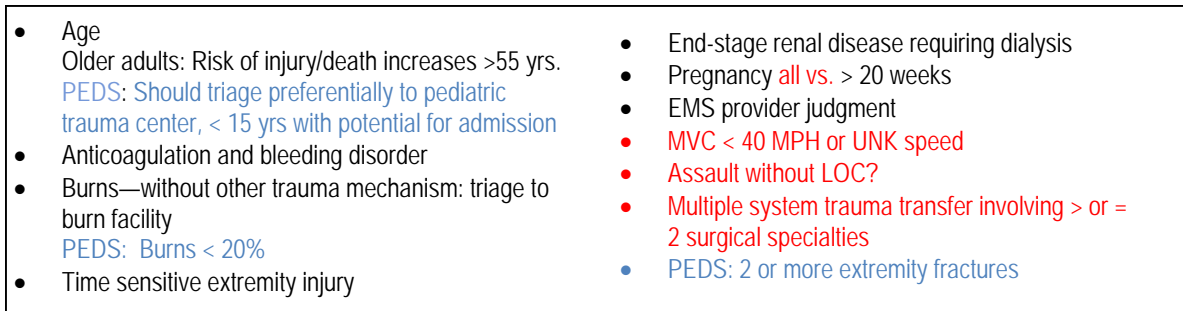
### Step Four

#### Assess Biomechanics of Injury and Evidence of High-Energy Impact



### Step Five

#### Assess other risk factors/ special patient or system considerations



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