4.2 Trauma Surgeon Coverage—TYPE I

Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII, PTCI, PTCII

Definition and Requirements

In all trauma centers, trauma surgery coverage must be continuously available.

In Level I and II trauma centers, the trauma surgeon must be dedicated to a single trauma center while on call.

Additional Information

"Continuously" is defined as 24/7/365 and implies there are no gaps in coverage

Measures of Compliance

- Call schedules over the course of the reporting period
- · Evaluated during the site visit process

4.3 Trauma Surgery Backup Call Schedule—TYPE II

Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII, PTCI, PTCII

Definition and Requirements

Level I and II trauma centers must have a published backup call schedule for trauma surgery.

Level III trauma centers must have a documented backup call schedule or a backup plan for trauma surgery.

Additional Information

Trauma surgeons who serve as a backup are not required to be dedicated to one hospital.

Measures of Compliance

- · Backup trauma call schedules (LI, LII)
- Backup trauma call schedules or backup plan (LIII)