

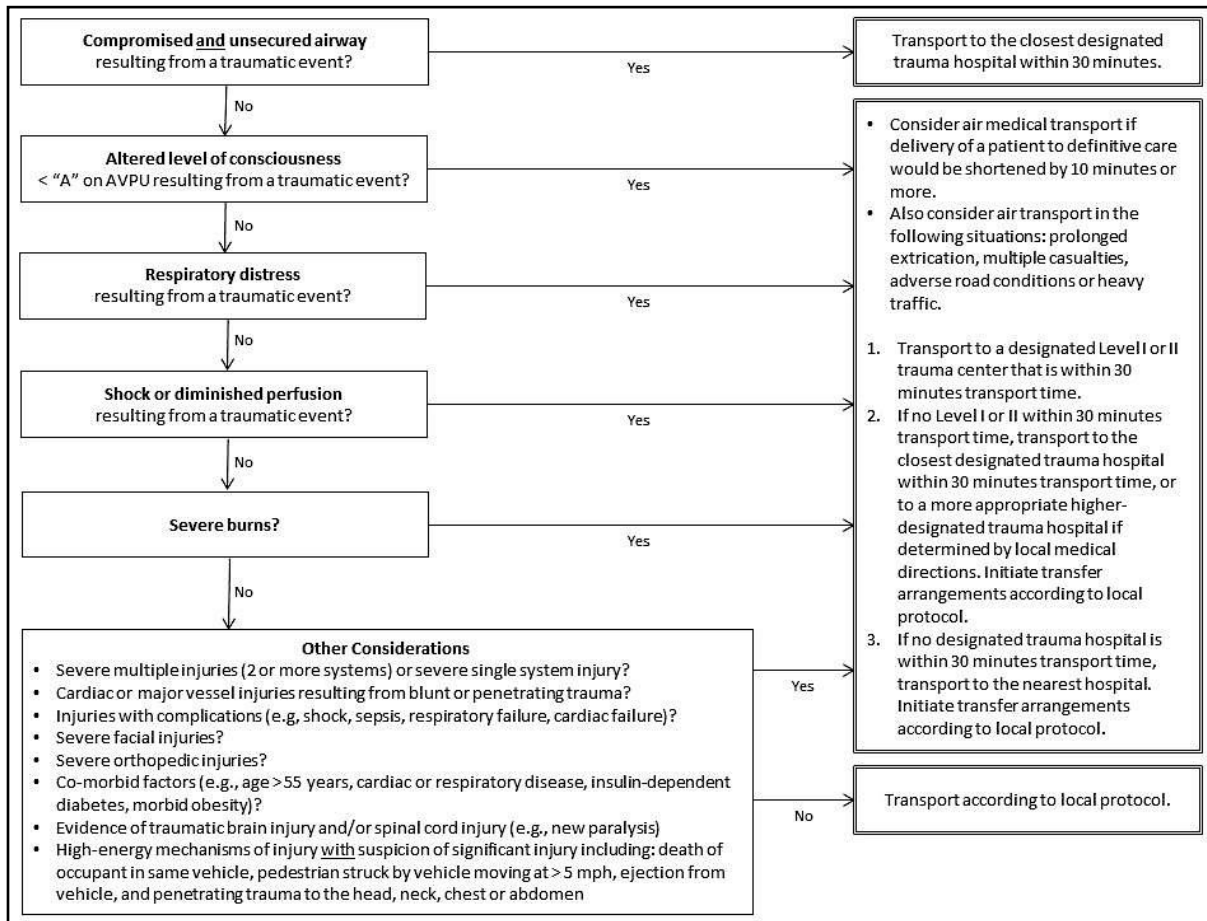
# HEALTHEAST MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION MEDICAL OPERATIONS MANUAL

## 7K LEVEL ONE TRAUMA TRIAGE and TRANSPORT

### PATIENT CARE GOALS

- Provide early identification of major trauma patients in scene responses.
- Provide early activation of regional and local trauma care facilities.
- Effectively utilize available transportation resources to reduce the patient’s time to definitive care.

### EMT



1. Identify and transport major trauma patients according to the flow chart above.
2. Once a major trauma patient is identified, communicate with the receiving hospital as early as possible. All major trauma patients meeting the above criteria for transport to a Level I or II facility require Trauma Team Activation at the receiving facility.
3. In addition, appropriate resources should be activated and efforts coordinated to:
  - a. Expedite access and extrication
  - b. Provide appropriate interventions at the scene
  - c. Move quickly to the transport phase
  - d. Deliver the patient to a facility capable of providing the required care

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4. Patients not meeting Trauma Team Activation criteria may be transported to the hospital of their choice or the nearest Level III or IV Trauma Facility capable of managing the patient's injuries.<sup>1</sup>

### DOCUMENTATION KEY POINTS

- Mechanism of injury, physiologic, anatomic indications for Trauma Team Activation
- Time of Trauma Team Activation

### NOTES

<sup>1</sup> Patients with isolated head trauma or orthopedic injuries may be taken to the closest Level III or IV facility with neurosurgical care capabilities.