



Office of Community Health Systems
P.O. Box 47853
Olympia, WA 98504-7853
360-236-2874

Critical Care Services

This section demonstrates compliance with [WAC 246-976-700](#) requirements for adult and pediatric critical care personnel and resources. Check all that apply.

Critical Care services are not provided. (Skip to Section 15)

Level: Adult/Pediatric, I-III

Section Item 1: Critical care services, with:

- A critical care medical director, who is board-certified in
 - Surgery and critical care [for adult trauma service]
 - Board-certified in surgery, internal medicine, or anesthesiology with special competence in critical care

- Pediatric critical care [for pediatric trauma service]
- Board-certified in surgery, internal medicine, or anesthesiology with special competence in pediatric critical care

Responsible for coordinating with the attending physician for trauma patient care.

Section Item 2: Physician coverage of critically ill trauma patients in the intensive care unit (ICU) by appropriately trained physicians who meet the following requirements:

- Must be available in-house within fifteen minutes, twenty-four hours per day (level I);
- Must be available within fifteen minutes, twenty-four hours per day (Level II);
- Must be available within thirty minutes with a formal plan in place for emergency coverage (Level III).

Section Item 3: Critical care registered nurses, who:

- Are ACLS trained [for adult trauma service]
- Have special competence in pediatric critical care [for pediatric trauma service]
- Have completed a minimum of six contact hours of trauma specific education every three-year designation period (Level I and II)
- Have completed a minimum of three contact hours of trauma specific education every three-year designation period (Level III)

Section Item 4: A physician directed code team.

Level: Pediatric, I, II

Section Item 5: Pediatric patient isolation capacity.

Level: Adult/Pediatric, I-III

Section Item 6: General surgery consults for critical care trauma patients, or

- If intensivists are the primary admitting nonsurgical physician caring for trauma patients, the intensivists must complete a minimum of 12 hours of trauma critical care specific continuing medical education (CME) every three-year designation period.

Level: Pediatric, I-III

Section Item 7: PER (five or seven contact hours every three-year designation period) must be met by any intensivists involved in the resuscitation, stabilization, and in-patient care of pediatric trauma patients.

Level: Adult, I-III; Pediatric, I-II

Section Item 8: Standard critical care equipment for adult and pediatric trauma patients including:

Cardiac devices:

Cardiac pacing capabilities.

Cardiac monitor with at least two pressure monitoring modules (cardiac output and hard copy recording),

With the capability to continuously monitor heart rate, respiratory rate, and temperature.

Level: Adult/Pediatric, I, II

Intracranial pressure monitoring devices.

Level: Adult, I-III; Pediatric, I-II

Intravenous supplies:

Infusion control device

Rapid infusion capability

Sterile surgical sets:

Chest tubes

Emergency surgical airway

Thoracotomy

Thermal control equipment:

Blood and fluid warming

Devices for assuring warmth during transport

Expanded scale thermometer capable of detecting hypothermia

Patient warming and cooling

Respond to the following items:

Upload the following response items in the Supporting Document section of the application. Label each with the corresponding Section number and Item number.

Response Item 1: Insert a clearly labeled critical care unit (CCU) adult trauma patient admission policy and protocol that includes (check boxes below to indicate each is included):

A list of the surgical services that admit adult trauma patients to the CCU.

To whom and when the primary physician relinquishes the adult trauma patient's care.

Who a nurse would call for an immediate care issue.

Response Item 2: The Intensivist role in the CCU for adult trauma patients includes (check all that apply):

Primary admitting physician,

Consultant

Other (list) _____

Response Item 3: If applicable, upload a clearly labeled pediatric critical care unit (PCCU) trauma patient admission policy and protocol that includes (check boxes below to indicate each is included):

A list of the surgical services that admit pediatric trauma patients to the PCCU.

To whom and when the primary physician relinquishes the pediatric trauma patient's care.

- The “captain of the ship” (who a nurse would call for an immediate care issue.)
- N/A – PCCU services are not provided.

Response Item 4: The intensivist role in the PCCU for trauma patients includes (check all that apply):

- Primary admitting physician,
- Consultant
- Other (list) _____

To request this document in another format, call 1-800-525-0127. Deaf or hard of hearing customers, please call 711 (Washington Relay) or email doh.information@doh.wa.gov.