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**Section 1 – POLICY**

**1.1 Policy Statement**

To ensure a trauma informed health system, standards have been developed pursuant to State of Texas guidelines for trauma designation. The goal is to improve all phases of the management of the injured patient including prehospital care and transportation, to establish and implement institutional and systems standards for care of the injured, and to provide education to improve trauma care.

**1.2 Definitions**

**General Trauma Facility Level III**

1. Provides resuscitation, stabilization, and assessment of injury victims and either provides treatment or arranges for appropriate transfer to a higher level designated trauma facility;

2. Provides ongoing educational opportunities in trauma related topics for health care professionals and the public; and

3. Implements targeted injury prevention programs.

**Trauma Medical Director (TMD)** A surgeon, preferably a general surgeon, who is charged with overall management of trauma services provided by Hendrick Medical Center (HMC). The TMD must be ATLS certified.

**Trauma Service** A structure of care for injured patients including personnel and other necessary resources for appropriate and efficient care delivery.

#### 1.3 Purpose

The purpose of the trauma service is to provide a professional and supportive trauma care delivery system that assists patients in achieving and maintaining, or restoring an optimal level of wellness on the health care continuum. The Trauma Services Review Committee provides for the review of the comprehensive, integrated care that effectively utilizes resources of the trauma service.

**SECTION 2 – COMMITTEE**

**2.1 Composition**

With the exception of the Trauma Medical Director, Medical Staff Members shall be appointed by the Chief of Staff from Members of the Active Staff. The Trauma Services Medical Director shall act as Chair. In the event a general surgeon is not the Trauma Medical Director, a general surgeon on the Active Medical Staff shall serve as co-chair. All general surgeons on the Active Staff may be assigned to the TSRC.

Voting members: Trauma Medical Director; all Active Staff General Surgeons; Administrator; Trauma Coordinator; Neurosurgeon; Orthopedic Surgeon; Emergency Medicine physician; Anesthesiologist; Pathologist; Radiologist; and Pediatrician.

**2.2 Duties**

1.2.1 The Trauma Services Committee:

A. Ensures all American College of Surgeons, Joint Commission, Texas Department of State Health Services, and Regional Advisory Council requirements for a Level III Trauma Center are met;

B. Ensures practice parameters established by the Trauma Services, Trauma Medical Director, and Administrative staff are met;

C. Defines the roles, responsibilities, and accountabilities of the performance improvement process for Trauma Service performance;

D. Reviews all charts of all patients identified by the screening process of the Trauma Service and/or any referrals from other Departments/Services.

**2.3 Meetings**

Meets as necessary, maintains a permanent record of its proceedings, and reports to the Performance Improvement Committee.