

PATIENT POPULATION

QOM: Feb '05; Mar '05; Apr '05; May/Jun '05; Jul '05; Aug '05; Feb '07; Mar '07; Apr/May '07; Jun '07
RR: Oct '02, Dec '03; Jun '04; Dec '04; Jul '06

ALL patients admitted for treatment of a diagnosis of trauma (ICD-9-CM injury codes 800-995) and who meet any of the following criteria:

- All Intensive Care Unit (ICU) admissions (2:1 ratio) - Excluding ICU used as a PACU
- All step-down unit admissions (4:1 ratio)
- All Dead on Arrivals (DOA), pronounced dead after arrival
- All Trauma Deaths
- All trauma patients remaining at your facility over 48 hours, beginning from the time of arrival to the Emergency Department. Trauma patients are defined as patients remaining at your facility for the treatment or diagnosis of trauma.
- All **admitted** transfers In
 - e.g. Transfer In: Patient seen at another facility and transferred to your facility. Include patients transferred in from another accredited trauma center. Patients transferred into your facility and then discharged home from your ED should not be included in the PTOS.
- All transfers Out
 - e.g. Transfer Out: Patient seen in Emergency Department at your facility and then admitted either to the Operating Room for emergency surgery or to the inpatient nursing unit. Then, due to a deteriorating condition, requires transfer to another accredited trauma center or burn center. Those patients must be included, as well as those patients who are admitted to the Emergency Department and then transferred to another accredited trauma center or burn center. Patients transferred out to any other hospital should not be included.
- Cases meeting **any of** the above criteria, but have no documented injuries
- Burn cases which meet one of the above criteria plus one of the following:
 - burned area 2° and 3° (age <10 or >50): 10%
 - burned area 2° and 3° (age >10 or <50): 20%
 - burned area 3° : >5% at any age
 - chemical burn

- electrical injury
- burn of face, hands, feet or perineum
- airway or inhalation injury
- burn accompanied by:
 - significant associated injury or pre-existing disease
 - suspected child abuse

OPTIONAL Elective admissions (patients not admitted through the Emergency Department not transferred from another facility) with an injury date > 72 hours prior to admission and an Injury Severity Score \geq 13 may be submitted to PTOS. Elective admissions with injury > 72 hours prior to admission and ISS < 13 need not be submitted.

EXCLUDING - Patients who only suffer a solitary hip fracture, (ICD-9-CM code 820.0 - 820.9 with no other injuries (contusion and abrasions of skin should not be considered other injuries)) as a result of a fall on the same level (ICD-9-CM Ecodes E885.0-E888.9). The intent is to exclude solitary hip fractures that are pathological or osteopenic in nature.

- Asphyxiation with no other injuries
- Drownings
- Poisonings (Chemical Ingestion, including internal organ burns from chemical ingestion, classifiable to the ICD-9-CM code 947)
- Admitted patients injured while in a trauma center, i.e. a patient who fell out of bed.
- Patients only having a hypothermia or hyperthermia diagnosis with no other injuries.

FYI: Exclusions override inclusions.