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Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation Level IV Trauma Center Accreditation Approved for Lehigh Valley Hospital – Hecktown Oaks

Effective November 1, 2022, one new hospital has been approved for Level IV Trauma Center Accreditation in Pennsylvania:

Lehigh Valley Health Network — Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hecktown Oaks, Easton, PA

Effective November 1, 2022, there will be 50 accredited trauma centers in Pennsylvania.

Combined Adult Level I/Pediatric Level I Trauma Centers

1. Hershey — Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center/Penn State Health Children's Hospital

Combined Adult Level I/Pediatric Level II Trauma Centers

- 2. Allentown Lehigh Valley Health Network Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest/Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital
- 3. Danville Geisinger Medical Center/Geisinger Janet Weis Children's Hospital

Adult Level I Trauma Centers

- Bethlehem St. Luke's University Health Network St. Luke's University Hospital-Bethlehem
- Johnstown Conemaugh Health System Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center
- 6. Lancaster Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health
- 7. Philadelphia Einstein Healthcare Network Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia
- 8. Philadelphia Temple Health Temple University Hospital
- 9. Philadelphia Jefferson Health Thomas Jefferson University Hospital
- 10. Philadelphia Penn Medicine Penn Presbyterian Medical Center
- 11. Pittsburgh Allegheny Health Network AHN Allegheny General Hospital
- 12. Pittsburgh University of Pittsburgh Medical Center UPMC Mercy
- 13. Pittsburgh University of Pittsburgh Medical Center UPMC Presbyterian
- 14. West Reading Tower Health Reading Hospital
- 15. Wilkes-Barre Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center
- 16. York WellSpan Health York Hospital

Pediatric Level I Trauma Centers

17. Philadelphia — Tower Health — St. Christopher's Hospital for Children

- 18. Philadelphia Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- 19. Pittsburgh University of Pittsburgh Medical Center UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh

Adult Level II Trauma Centers

- 20. Abington Jefferson Health Jefferson Abington Hospital
- 21. Altoona University of Pittsburgh Medical Center UPMC Altoona
- 22. Bethlehem Lehigh Valley Health Network Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg
- 23. Camp Hill Penn State Health Holy Spirit Medical Center
- 24. Easton St. Luke's University Health Network St. Luke's Hospital Anderson Campus
- 25. Erie University of Pittsburgh Medical Center UPMC Hamot
- 26. Langhorne Trinity Health Mid-Atlantic St. Mary Medical Center
- 27. Monroeville Allegheny Health Network AHN Forbes Hospital
- 28. Paoli Main Line Health Paoli Hospital
- 29. Philadelphia Jefferson Health Jefferson Torresdale Hospital
- 30. Sayre Guthrie Robert Packer Hospital
- 31. Scranton Geisinger Community Medical Center
- 32. Sellersville Grand View Health Grand View Health
- 33. Upland Crozer Health Crozer-Chester Medical Center
- 34. Williamsport University of Pittsburgh Medical Center UPMC Williamsport
- 35. Wynnewood Main Line Health Lankenau Medical Center

Level III Trauma Centers

36. East Stroudsburg — Lehigh Valley Health Network — Lehigh Valley Hospital-Pocono

Level IV Trauma Centers

- 37. Coaldale St. Luke's University Health Network St. Luke's Hospital Miners Campus
- 38. Easton Lehigh Valley Health Network Lehigh Valley Hospital Hecktown Oaks
- 39. Grove City Allegheny Health Network AHN Grove City Hospital
- 40. Hastings Conemaugh Health System Conemaugh Miners Medical Center
- 41. Hazleton Lehigh Valley Health Network Lehigh Valley Hospital-Hazleton

- 42. Honesdale Wayne Memorial Hospital
- 43. Jersey Shore Geisinger Jersey Shore Hospital
- 44. Lehighton St. Luke's University Health Network St. Luke's- Carbon Campus
- 45. Lewistown Geisinger Lewistown Hospital
- 46. McConnellsburg Fulton County Medical Center
- 47. Orwigsburg St. Luke's University Health Network Geisinger St. Luke's Hospital
- 48. Quakertown St. Luke's University Health Network St. Luke's Hospital-Upper Bucks Campus
- 49. Stroudsburg St. Luke's University Health Network St. Luke's Hospital-Monroe Campus
- 50. Troy Guthrie Troy Community Hospital

The Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation (PTSF) is a non-profit corporation recognized by the Emergency Medical Services Act (Act 1985-45). The PTSF is the organization responsible for accrediting trauma centers in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Trauma centers are hospitals with resources immediately available to provide optimal care and reduce the likelihood of death or disability to injured patients. Accredited trauma centers must be continuously prepared to treat the most serious life threatening and disabling injuries. They are not intended to replace the traditional hospital and its emergency department for minor injuries.

In Pennsylvania, there are four levels of trauma centers. Level I trauma centers provide the highest degree of resources with a full spectrum of specialists and must have trauma research and surgical residency programs. Level II trauma centers require the same high level of care but do not require research and residency programs. Level III trauma centers are smaller community hospitals that do not require neurosurgeons and focus on stabilizing severe trauma patients prior to transport to a higher-level trauma center. They may admit patients with mild and moderate injuries. Level IV trauma centers provide enhanced care to injured patients within the emergency department and focus on stabilization and quick transfer to a higher-level trauma center. They may admit mildly injured patients.

Each trauma center regardless of its level is an integral component of the emergency medical services (EMS) system. The EMS system assures appropriate patient care management from the time of injury to treatment at a local hospital or trauma center through the rehabilitative phase of care.

A comprehensive list of the Commonwealth's trauma centers is located at www.ptsf.org.

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