

PENNSYLVANIA TRAUMA SYSTEMS FOUNDATION

2026-2028 STRATEGIC PLAN

Executive Summary

OUR MISSION: Optimal outcomes for every injured patient in Pennsylvania

OUR VISION: Zero Preventable Deaths from injury

A Collaborative Vision for Pennsylvania's Trauma System

This strategic plan represents the collective vision of Pennsylvania's trauma community. Through an inclusive planning process, we engaged over 100 participants across 25 meetings, ensuring diverse perspectives from trauma centers, healthcare professionals, and stakeholder organizations shaped our direction for 2026-2028.

Three Strategic Imperatives

1. DATA INFRASTRUCTURE COMPLETION & EXCELLENCE

Complete TraumaHQ implementation and establish reliable data infrastructure that reduces administrative burden while enabling advanced analytics to drive improved outcomes.

Key Goals:

- Complete TraumaHQ platform implementation
- Enhance data quality and deploy advanced analytics tools
- Position Pennsylvania as a national leader in trauma data excellence and research

2. COMPREHENSIVE TRAUMA SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION

Build and sustain a comprehensive trauma system spanning the full continuum of care—from injury prevention through rehabilitation—ensuring equitable access and optimal outcomes.

Key Goals:

- Expand trauma system coverage to underserved regions
- Strengthen Level III/IV centers and optimize transfer processes
- Support development of mass casualty and disaster readiness framework

3. OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Optimize PTSF operations to deliver exceptional value through streamlined processes, effective communication, and continuous improvement in accreditation, education, and support services.

Key Goals:

- Enhance stakeholder engagement and communication
- Optimize staffing and organizational capacity

Our Three-Year Journey

2026: Complete TraumaHQ Foundation

Concentrate resources on achieving TraumaHQ platform functionality, establishing data infrastructure, and strengthening stakeholder partnerships.

2027: Assess and Optimize the System

With platform stability achieved, shift focus to comprehensive system assessment, establishing baseline performance metrics, and launching public-facing dashboards.

2028: Drive Impact and Growth

Leverage platform capabilities to drive measurable system improvements, publish research, launch public awareness campaigns, and establish Pennsylvania as a national trauma systems leader.

What This Means for Your Trauma Center

Enhanced Data Capabilities

- TraumaHQ platform will deliver improved reporting, custom analytics, and easier performance improvement
- Access to statewide benchmarking data and research capabilities

Stronger Support System

- Targeted education and mentorship, especially for Level III/IV centers
- Enhanced communication channels and regular satisfaction surveys
- Advocacy materials and support for demonstrating trauma center value

System-Level Improvements

- Optimized transfer processes and inter-facility coordination
- Disaster preparedness framework development
- Expanded trauma system coverage to better serve all Pennsylvania communities

Recognition and Collaboration

- New PTSF Badge Recognition Program and Clinical Excellence Award
- Public awareness campaign highlighting trauma center value and impact

Our Commitment to You

PTSF is committed to transparent communication throughout this strategic plan implementation. We will provide progress updates, celebrate milestones achieved, and remain responsive to your needs and feedback. This plan was built with you—and we will execute it together.

Together, we will continue advancing Pennsylvania's position as a national leader in trauma care, working toward our shared vision.

For questions or to access the full strategic plan, visit www.ptsf.org or contact PTSF staff.