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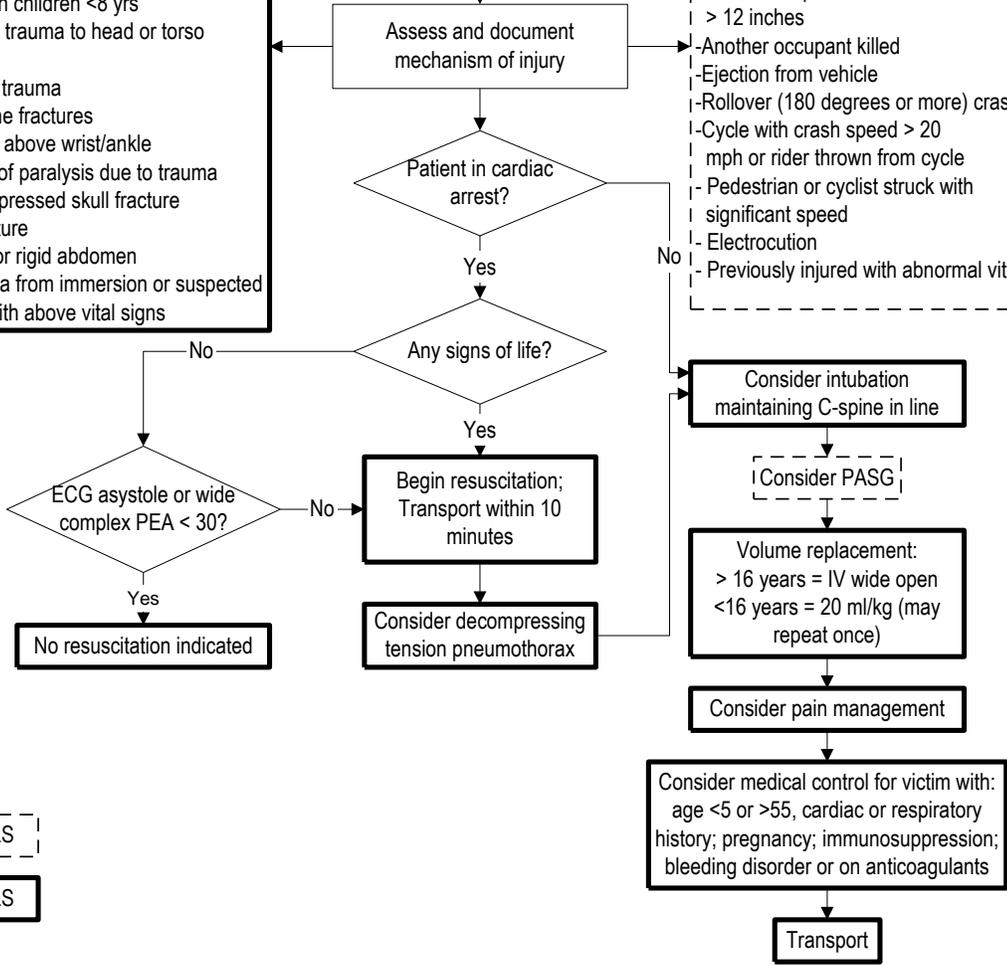
**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
 MEDICAL PROTOCOL
 TRAUMA**

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Expeditious **ALS** transport to a **Level I or Level II Trauma Center** if:
 -GCS < 14
 -Systolic BP: >8 yrs < 90; 5 - 8 yrs <80; 6 mo - 5 yrs <70; 0-6 mo <60
 -Resp. rate: >8 yrs <10 or >29; 6 mo - 8 yrs <16; 0-6 mo <20; respiratory distress (ineffective breathing, grunting or stridor) in children <8 yrs
 -Penetrating trauma to head or torso
 -Flail chest
 - Burns with trauma
 -2+ long bone fractures
 -Amputation above wrist/ankle
 -New onset of paralysis due to trauma
 -Open or depressed skull fracture
 - Pelvic fracture
 -Distended or rigid abdomen
 -Hypothermia from immersion or suspected exposure with above vital signs

Routine medical care for all patients
 Stop all obvious hemorrhage
 splint major fractures

Expeditious transport to a **Level I or Level II Trauma Center**. Transport may be made by **BLS after ALS evaluation** if:
 - Fall > 20 feet; >10 feet for children <8yrs
 -Crash impact speed > 40 mph
 -Prolonged extrication
 -Interior compartment intrusion > 12 inches
 -Another occupant killed
 -Ejection from vehicle
 -Rollover (180 degrees or more) crash
 -Cycle with crash speed > 20 mph or rider thrown from cycle
 - Pedestrian or cyclist struck with significant speed
 - Electrocutation
 - Previously injured with abnormal vital signs



NOTES:

- In all patients with trauma-related cardiac arrest, establish the probable cause of the arrest.
- Resuscitation must be initiated on all patients with narrow (<0.12 sec) QRS complexes regardless of the rate. Patients in ventricular fibrillation or ventricular tachycardia should be defibrillated once.
- If resuscitation is not attempted based on the PFR or MED unit's interpretation of the ECG rhythm, the PFR or ALS team must complete the appropriate portion of the record.
- Apply and inflate pneumatic antishock garment (PASG) for patients with suspected pelvic fracture; suspected ruptured AAA.
- Notify EMS Communications of the circumstances of the transport, ETA, and include adequate information to facilitate Trauma Team activation.
- Only reason to consider transport to the closest receiving hospital other than a trauma center is for the inability to ventilate the patient.