

Consultant Guidelines

Regions Hospital

Level I Adult Trauma Center

Level I Trauma Center For Children

The primary goal of our Level I Adult and Level I Pediatric trauma programs is to deliver the highest quality and most cost-effective care to adults and children in a safe, respectful, and healing environment. The trauma service thanks you for evaluating our patient. We appreciate your knowledge in your area of expertise and look forward to your opinions and recommendations. Please take a moment to review our expectations regarding your consultation so that we can best meet the needs of our mutual patient:

- Many of the adult and pediatric patients on the trauma service are being evaluated by several consulting services. Please introduce yourself to the patient and their family and explain why you are seeing them.
- Although you may discuss your findings with the patient and his/her family, please discuss all recommendations directly with a member of the Trauma service first. This will limit the family's confusion on what is being expected during hospitalization. The trauma service values your input but some recommendations may not be implemented due to other patient factors.
- Document your consultation in Epic (Regions) or on paper (Gillette) in a timely manner. If you change any of your recommendations, please verbally notify a member of the Trauma service.
- If additional tests, imaging, and/or medications need to be added to the patients plan of care, please clear these decisions with a member of the trauma service so we can communicate effectively to the patient and family any changes to the care plan.
- The trauma service, along with nurses, clinicians, and social workers, round daily at 8:30am on our pediatric patients and at 9:30am on our adult patients. We welcome you to participate at any time to share your opinions and recommendations regarding your consultation.
- Please promptly enter any discharge recommendations into EPIC and schedule any outpatient appointments prior to the patients discharge. This will expedite the discharge process and ensure Best Care Best Practice to our mutual patient.

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