

**UAMS MEDICAL CENTER
TRAUMA SERVICES MANUAL**

SUBJECT: Emergent Bedside Orthopedic Consultation

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PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines for Emergency Department bedside orthopedic consultation in the traumatically injured patient.

POLICY:

Any trauma patient requiring Orthopedic Emergency Department bedside consultation will be evaluated by the consultant within 30 minutes of request.

Orthopedic consultation is required as an emergent bedside consultation emergent bedside consultation in high risk trauma patients who present with any of the following:

- Open fracture/dislocation
- Hip fracture/dislocation
- Knee dislocation
- Both bone forearm fracture
- Long bone fractures
- Polytrauma including orthopedic injuries

It is the responsibility of the Orthopedic Surgery Resident responding to the consultation request to ensure their time of arrival is accurately recorded on the trauma flow sheet by the primary trauma nurse. This will be the source of the time documentation used to determine compliance with this policy