

UAMS MEDICAL CENTER
ACS SERVICES MANUAL

SUBJECT: Trauma Service Response Times
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PURPOSE:

To clarify the Trauma Service response time requirements, which are more stringent than the UAMS Faculty Group Practice Statement.

POLICY:

Because of the time-sensitive nature of trauma care, the UAMS Trauma Service has developed a more stringent standard for response times to trauma activations or consultations.

- The trauma team resident physicians will respond to all Level 1 and Level 2 Trauma Team Activations within 15 minutes of notification and ideally before the patient's arrival, assuming adequate pre-notification.
- The on-call trauma surgeon attending will respond to Level 1 Trauma Team Activations within 15 minutes of notification and ideally before the patient's arrival, assuming adequate pre-notification.
- The on-call trauma surgeon attending will respond to Level 2 Trauma Team Activations within 45 minutes of notification and ideally before the patient's arrival, assuming adequate pre-notification.
- For the traumatically injured patient, Trauma Surgery Consultation requests will be seen at the bedside by a trauma team resident within 30 minutes of the request.
- At the request of the consulting physician, the on-call trauma attending may be asked to respond emergently and will arrive within 30 minutes of that request.