

## TRAUMATIC ARREST

CPR: Continue as appropriate. Do not delay transport even if CPR has to be interrupted. Do Not Air Evacuate patients in arrest.

### MONITOR (ALS)

DEFIBRILLATE: V-FIB or V-TACH. Complete Traumatic Arrest Protocol through "C-SPINE" before referring to cardiac protocols. If asystolic, see Base Hospital Order below.

SECURE AIRWAY: Consider simplest effective method. Ventilate with bag-valve with 100% oxygen. Consider intubation while enroute.

### CONTROL MAJOR HEMORRHAGE

NEEDLE THORACOSTOMY (ALS): Bilateral

C-SPINE: Apply

TRANSPORT: Immediate transport to definitive care is the best treatment for traumatic arrest patients after completing steps 1-4.

IV/IO ACCESS (ALS): Attempt at least two large bore lines - run wide open.

TREAT DYSRRHYTHMIA (ALS): Only after all of the above has been done.

### BASE PHYSICIAN ORDER:

DECLARATION OF DEATH (ALS): If patient remains asystolic in two leads after CPR for 1 minute.

**NOTE: Electrical injuries that result in cardiac arrest shall be treated as medical arrests**