

**BARNES-JEWISH HOSPITAL
TRAUMA SERVICES POLICIES/PROCEDURES**

TITLE: Trauma Surgical Patient Transfer Guidelines

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Purpose

The purpose of this guideline is to establish a uniform practice for the post procedure transfer of polytrauma patients to the ICU.

For immediate recovery of patients from the OR to the ICU, please refer to the

This policy applies to those patients who are admitted directly to an intensive care unit (ICU) after receiving anesthesia for a surgical procedure.

All patients who are transferred directly to the ICU from the operating room are accompanied by an anesthesiologist /anesthetist and a member of the surgical team who gives report to the ICU nurse and ICU team

B. The operating room will call the ICU to alert them that the patient will be coming directly to the ICU prior to the end of the case. C. following a critical hookup and a standardized handoff report. The report includes what occurred during the operative procedure and pertinent pre-operative data. Side rails are up for safety because the patient has received anesthesia.

Critical Care departmental policy: Recovery of Post-Anesthesia Patients in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU)

Resources/References

American College of Surgeons, Committee on Trauma “Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient, 2014”

Barnes Jewish Hospital Emergency Department Policies and Procedures. Consultation Policy. Tier 1 Emergency complaints, Neurosurgery.

Barnes Jewish Hospital Rules and Regulations, Emergency Services, Policies for Emergency Department Physician Coverage. Pg. 24

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