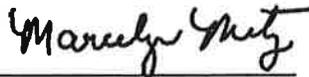


SUBJECT: ROLE OF THE PEDIATRIC TRAUMA CENTER

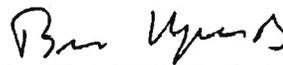
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- I. **Authority:** Health & Safety Code, Division 2.5 Chapter 6. Section 1798.165 and 1799.205.
- II. **Purpose:** To define the role and requirements of a designated pediatric trauma center.
- III. **Definitions:**
Pediatric Trauma Center – a facility which has been designated by the San Diego County Emergency Medical Services Branch to provide comprehensive care to the injured pediatric patient <15 years of age, who meets major trauma candidate criteria.
- IV. **Policy:**
A Pediatric Trauma Center shall:
 - A. Meet or exceed compliance standards set forth within the San Diego County Pediatric Trauma Center Agreement.
 - B. Participate in the Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine (COPEM), providing expertise in pediatric trauma care issues.
 - C. Participate in injury prevention and community education activities related to children.

Approved:



Administrator



Medical Director