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SUBJECT: Role of the Pediatric Trauma Center

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I. PURPOSE

To define the role and requirements of a designated pediatric trauma center

II. BACKGROUND

A. Definitions

Pediatric Trauma Center:

A facility that has been designated by the County of San Diego, Emergency Medical Services (CoSD EMS) to provide comprehensive care to the injured pediatric patient <15 years of age who meets major trauma candidate criteria.

III. 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.