TRIGGERS FOR TRAUMA STAT OPERATING ROOM USAGE

EI (STAT: Immediate, Without Delay Available All the Time)

Inclusion criteria:
- Life and death
- Acute airway compromise
- Acute bleeding
- Acute brain injury (ie evacuation of hematoma/decompressive craniotomy)
- Abdominal compartment syndrome
- Penetrating wound to the abdomen, neck, or chest with shock
- Blunt abdominal, chest, or pelvic trauma with shock
- Limb threat
  - Compartment syndrome
  - Ischemia / pulseless
  - Major joint dislocation
- For other conditions per trauma attending

Procedure:
- The Surgeon declares a “stat” (immediate) need for an OR: if the OR representatives are present in the ED, verbal communication to ready the OR can be given
- The Surgeon or designee calls the OR (74150) if not in the ED
- The Surgeon or designee also calls the Anesthesiologist (76263)
- Rarely, the Anesthesiologist and Surgeon may disagree about the “Stat” condition. The Trauma Director will be called to arbitrate

The Operating Room and Anesthesiology must continually provide a Stat (Immediate) Operating room for new or additional trauma emergencies

When a Stat operating room is not available the Trauma Director or Associate Trauma Director must be notified. When a patient is taken to the OR, a second room will be designated as a STAT room.

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