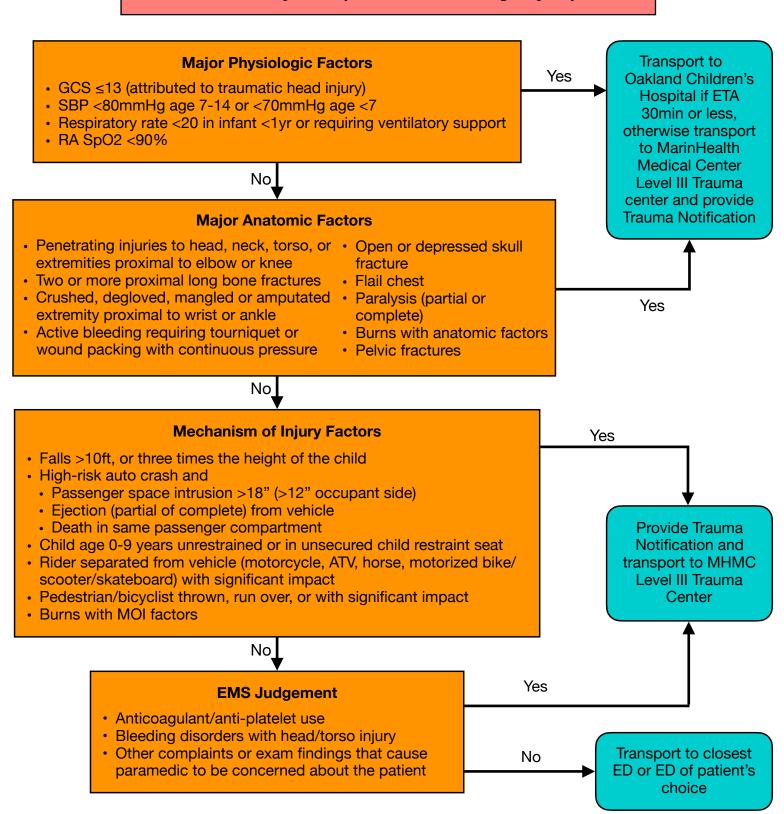
PEDIATRIC TRAUMA TRIAGE TOOL

Pediatric Patients <14yrs

Uncontrolled Airway- Transport to closest Emergency Department



Trauma Notification

- Field personnel will advise the trauma center a minimum of 10 minutes prior to arrival (or as soon as possible if transport is <10min) by providing a Trauma Notification. This information will be used to activate the trauma team. Communication with the hospital via MERA is preferred. The notification must include at a minimum the following information:
 - Medic unit and transport code
 - Trauma Notification
 - Patient age and gender
 - M- Mechanism of injury
 - I- Injury and/or complaints; significant injuries and findings
 - <u>V</u>- Vital signs; blood pressure, pulse, respiratory rate, GCS
 - **T** Treatment/interventions
 - ETA

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- The clinical findings, including past medical history, are critical to identifying the trauma patient, especially when assessing Mechanism of Injury (MOI) and additional factors
- A thorough clinical assessment is especially important in patients with:
 - Persistent and unexplained respiratory difficulty, tachycardia, or peripheral vasoconstriction
 - Inability to communicate (e.g. language barrier, substance abuse or psychiatric impairment)
- There are MOI not identified in the Trauma Triage Tool that may be associated with trauma. Any fall or impact with significant velocity is likely to produce a candidate for trauma activation

PHYSICIAN CONSULT

• Trauma Center consultation is recommended for questions about destinations for injured patients