

	Trauma Services	No. 4083
	Title: CT Scan Availability- Shared	Page: 1 of 1 Effective Date: 03/17/2020

**POLICY STATEMENT:**

The CT scan will be available 24 hours a day for evaluation of trauma patients.

**ENTITIES AFFECTED BY THIS POLICY (SCOPE):**

Raleigh Campus & Cary Hospital Emergency Services, Raleigh Campus & Cary Hospital Radiology Department.

**WHO SHOULD READ THIS POLICY:**

This policy shall be read by Trauma Services, nursing staff in Emergency Services, department supervisors, managers, directors, and administrators. Furthermore, any individual considering issuing, revising, assisting in the drafting of, or archiving a policy.

**PURPOSE:**

CT scan is available 24 hours a day for evaluation of trauma patients.

**PROCEDURES:**

- I. The Radiology Department is notified by the trauma notification system of an in-coming trauma patient.
- II. The CT scan staff will be alerted by the ED of the need for scanning when confirmed by the trauma team.
- III. The CT scan staff provides the ED RN information regarding availability of CT and gives priority to the trauma patient over scheduled cases.

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