

#### Major Trauma Ward Admission Guidance

# All Major Trauma Ward (MTW) admissions must be discussed with a Major Trauma Case Manager Bleep 2661

Guidance to ensure that patients are cared for in the best environment for their needs (clinical skill, resource and equipment) and to ensure appropriate use of the major trauma bed base

# Appropriate Patients Go to Major Trauma Ward L22

- All patients that require in-patient care from more than one specialty.
- Patients with Open fractures of the extremities (except of the hand and forefoot).
- Patients whose injury severity and type in the opinion of the consultants caring for the patient and the MTW on-call consultant, requires MTW care.
- High energy Pelvic Ring or Lower extremity Long Bone fractures.
- Intra-abdominal trauma under the discretion of the on-call consultant Vascular Surgeon.

### Inappropriate Patients Go to appropriate specialty bed

- Patients with other injuries limited to a SINGLE Body region or Specialty (e.g. isolated head, spine, facial, soft tissue, thoracic trauma).
- Stable patients with isolated thoracic or abdominal injuries who do not require operative intervention.

#### Critically Injured Patients

Patients that require Level 3 or Level 2 care.

Go to Critical Care

These patients may be under the care of the MTW consultant if they meet the MTW criteria.

