



VCEMS Training Bulletin



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Step 2.8 Criteria Change: (Paralysis)

After reviewing calls of patients being transported to a non-trauma center and then being transferred to a trauma center, it was decided among the Trauma Operations Review Committee (TORC) to add language to Step 2.8:

We found “paralysis” is too specific and therefore missed patients with spinal cord injuries that presented with extremity weakness or sensory deficit. Step 2.8 will now be: *“Acute paralysis, extremity weakness, or sensory loss possibly due to spinal cord injury”*

This language was taken from Wake County EMS and Los Angeles County EMS

We will continue to monitor these cases and update as needed.

Thank you!

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Ventura County Field Triage Decision Scheme

For patients with visible or suspected traumatic injuries

