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**Research**

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- 389 publications from faculty members in the Division of Traumatology, Surgical Critical Care and Emergency Surgery from 2013—present
- Multiple NIH Funded Grants

**ICU Design Award**

Society of Critical Care Medicine Design Citation 2015: The Trauma Surgical Intensive Care Unit was honored for its combination of functional ICU design with the humanitarian delivery of critical care.

**97% Survival Rate**

Penn’s Trauma Program offers the most advanced specialty care in the region, resulting in exceptional outcomes for patients that rank above national averages.

**Penn Medicine: A Regional Resource Trauma Center**

Throughout 2020, 668 out of 3,323 patients seen at the Trauma Center at Penn were transferred from other acute care facilities. Of those, 14 percent came from other designated trauma centers.

- **34%** Interpersonal Violence
- **26%** Fall
- **21%** Motor Vehicle
- **11%** Other
- **5%** Pedestrian
- **3%** Motorcycle

**3,323 Patients Per Year**
MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH
Caring for critically injured patients requires a collaborative approach involving trauma surgeons, emergency medicine physicians, nurses and allied health professionals as well as dozens of other specialties.

The Trauma Center at Penn is a vital portal for patients throughout the region who have sustained life-threatening injuries. Most patients have multiple injuries that require the full spectrum of care with specialists in orthopaedics, neurosurgery, interventional radiology, reconstructive surgery and rehabilitation. In every phase of care, patients and families are supported by Penn Medicine’s nurses and allied health experts who have special training in trauma management and violence intervention. These experienced teams provide the foundation for assuring a speedy recovery.

TRAUMA & SURGICAL SPECIALIZED TREATMENTS AT PENN MEDICINE
CENTER FOR CHEST TRAUMA  |  FACIAL TRAUMA  |  LIMB SALVAGE

29 SPECIALTIES TOTAL
Hundreds of nurses and allied health professionals make up our trauma team.

14 SURGICAL SPECIALTIES
• Cardiothoracic Surgery
• Neurosurgery
• Ophthalmology-Scheie Eye Institute
• Oral Maxillofacial Surgery
• Orthopaedic Surgery
• Plastic Surgery
• Vascular Surgery
...and More

15 MEDICAL SPECIALTIES
• Anesthesia
• Emergency Medicine
• Geriatrics: Designated Geriatric Unit
• Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
• Psychology
...and More

TRAINING
Penn Medicine trains surgeons, physicians, nurses, allied health professionals and prehospital care providers in all phases of care using the latest techniques for the critically ill and injured patient. Of the multiple specialized programs, trauma and surgical critical care fellows trained at the Trauma Center at Penn since establishing the fellowship program in 1989, roughly 50 percent are chiefs, chairs and program directors in trauma programs throughout the country and internationally.