TRAUMATIC ARREST - ALS

**Sign of life?**

**YES**

- **RTC**
  - See appropriate SMOs for suspected injuries
  - Advanced airway
    - Establish vascular access
  - Transport and contact Base Station as appropriate

**NO**

- **Assess cardiac monitor**
  - **Asystole**
    - **RTC**
      - See appropriate SMOs for suspected injuries
      - Advanced airway
        - Establish vascular access
        - Transport and Base Station contact as appropriate

- **Electrical activity**
  - **RTC**

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1 - “Sign of life” is any respiration, a palpable pulse, a pupillary response, or spontaneous movement.

2 - Exclusion criteria: drowning or strangulation, lightening strike or electrocution, situations involving hypothermia, patients with visible pregnancy, medical conditions as the likely cause of cardiac arrest.

3 - If EMS provider decides to continue resuscitation, the patient should be transported to the closest Level 1 trauma center.

4 - If the EMS provider decides to withhold resuscitation, they may choose to transport to the closest comprehensive ED for various reasons, including scene safety, unless the police declare a crime scene.