

Add on Urgent/Emergent Room Guidelines

Category	Goal Time to Surgery	Triage Level	Notes	Examples
Emergency	Within 2 hours	Level 1	Life, limb, organ, or tissue saving surgical intervention.	Severe trauma, hemorrhage, compartment syndrome
Urgent	Within 4–6 hours	Level 2	Physiological deterioration probable without surgical treatment.	Unstable septic patient with known source of infection, bowel obstruction, open fracture
	Within 12–24 hours	Level 3	Patient stable but physiological deterioration possible without surgical treatment.	Septic patient with known source of infection who is stable in a non-critical care environment, hip fracture