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Vascular Emergencies

Purpose: To provide a guideline for identifying vascular emergencies, establishing early diagnosis and management of vascular injuries requiring interventions in the Operating Room or Interventional Radiology

Guidelines:

- A. Vascular emergencies necessitate an emergent consult to a Vascular Surgeon. In the event that an endovascular or interventional procedure is required for hemorrhage control, the Vascular Surgeon should begin the procedure within 60 minutes of request.
 - a. The response time is tracked from request to arterial puncture

- B. If vascular compromise is related to an orthopedic injury, refer to *Management of Severe Musculoskeletal Injuries* guideline

References:

- American College of Surgeons (ACS). (2022). *Resources for the Optimal Care of the Injured Patient*.
- ACS TQIP and OTA. (2014). *Best Practices in the Management of Orthopaedic Trauma*.