

**Traumatic injury
is the leading
cause of death
in children.***

**American Academy of Pediatrics*

The Pediatric Trauma Program at Children's Hospital of Richmond (CHoR), part of the VCU Medical Center, is dedicated to the needs of all injured children. VCU Medical Center is the only designated **Level 1 Trauma Center** in Central Virginia. The pediatric trauma team at CHoR is equipped to work diligently within the **"golden hour"** to give children the chance to **survive and thrive** after traumatic injuries.

What is the "Golden Hour?"

The **"golden hour"** is a brief window of time in which the lives of a majority of severely injured children can be saved, if definitive treatment is provided. The **"golden hour"** is **60 minutes from the moment of injury**, to call 911, dispatch an ambulance, transport the victim to a trauma center, and perform the necessary, life-saving interventions. Trauma is time sensitive, and there is **no time to waste**.

Comprehensive Care

The pediatric trauma team, directed by pediatric surgeon **Jeffrey Haynes, MD**, works in concert with the staff in CHoR's new pediatric ER, Level 1 pediatric intensive care unit, and all pediatric subspecialties to provide the best possible outcome and experience for children and their families. CHoR also works closely with SafeKids Virginia to help prevent traumatic injuries and keep our community's children safe.

What Next?

Call **804-828-9111** to transport or transfer a patient to Children's Hospital of Richmond. Our dedicated trauma team is available 24 hours a day.



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