The decision to attempt resuscitation of a traumatic arrest should be based on the paramedic's judgment as to the possibility of survival and/or the possibility of organ harvest.

There are instances where resuscitation of a traumatic arrest is not warranted (see Death in the Field).

Supportive Care

1. Trauma Supportive Care Protocol.

2. Rapidly prepare patient for transport and then expeditiously transport patient to the trauma center.

ALS Level 1

1. If IV(s) can be established, infuse Normal Saline 20 ml/kg up to 60 ml/kg IV.

2. Avoid use of vasopressors in cases of suspected hypovolemia.

ALS Level 2 (Physician Authorization Required)

None