

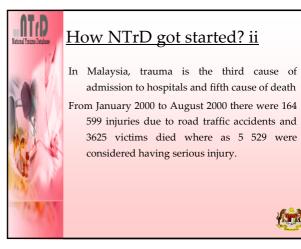


How NTrD got started? i

Trauma is an ever increasing problem and it is the leading cause of morbidity and mortality in the under 40s age group in most developed countries and developing countries including Malaysia. For every person killed there are at least two who survive with serious permanent disabilities. (Yates DW et al: 1990).

(HMIS Annual Report for Medical Care, MOH 2001)







Trauma care is a chain of services, and its
effectiveness depends on quality and
cooperation between each individual service.
Broadly, major trauma is defined as those
injuries with the highest severity in terms of
requiring time critical specialist care.
Although the major impact of lowering the
trauma morbidity and mortality is through
prevention of injury, there is considerable
evidence that early correction (resuscitation)
and definitive management will result in
better outcome (Cameron P et al: 1993).
Therefore, quality of trauma care depends on
pre-hospital care, resuscitation in Emergency
Department as well as in-hospital care.



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Objectives of the NTrD

- Determine the frequency, mechanism of injury and distribution of major trauma in Malaysia. These are useful measures of health burden arising from the major trauma and its management in the country.
- Determine the outcome and probability of survival of the trauma patients.



