National Trauma Care System

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IMPROVING EMERGENCY & TRAUMA CARE SAVES LIVES

35,092
PEOPLE DIED IN TRAFFIC CRASHES IN THE U.S. IN 2015

20% OF TRAUMA DEATHS are preventable with optimal emergency and trauma care!

2 out of 5 WERE ALIVE WHEN FIRST RESPONDERS ARRIVED, BUT LATER DIED

MORE THAN ONE THIRD OF SERIOUSLY INJURED CRASH VICTIMS ARE NOT TAKEN TO A LEVEL I OR II TRAUMA CENTER

THERE IS A 25% INCREASE IN THE ODDS OF SURVIVAL for severely injured patients if treated in a hospital that is a level I or II trauma center

Knowing these facts is just the start. We can save more lives with continuous improvement to our nation's emergency care systems.

NHTSA remains committed to saving lives. Before, during, and after the crash.

 SOURCES: