The Coalition for National Trauma Research (CNTR) advocates for a sustained and significant level of federal funding for traumatic injury research that can save lives.

CNTR MEMBERS
- American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST)
- National Trauma Institute (NTI)
- Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma (EAST)
- ACS Committee on Trauma (COT)
- Western Trauma Association (WTA)

CNTR GOALS
- Consistent and significant federal funding for research that increases an understanding of the mechanisms of traumatic injury and informs clinical practice
- Centralized research agenda that establishes priorities and eliminates redundancy
- Robust trauma research infrastructure – including a National Trauma Research Repository and a Trauma Clinical Trials Network

The Coalition for National Trauma Research combines the strengths of its organizational members: federal advocacy expertise, prestigious investigator communities, trauma systems and measurement competencies, and connections to trauma centers and the survivor community. It speaks for more than 8,000 professionals in surgical fields and settings who see first-hand the toll that traumatic injury takes on our society and know that we can do better.

Additional organizations, representing thousands of other emergency medical personnel, support the coalition in its call for sustained trauma research funding, adding strength and urgency to the message. Supporters include emergency physicians and nurses, neurological surgeons, emergency medical technicians, trauma center personnel and others.

CNTR makes its case for national trauma research funding through every potential avenue for funding that exists in Washington, including the White House, the Department of Defense, Congressional Appropriations Committees and the National Institutes of Health.
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<th>WHAT IS TRAUMA?</th>
<th>Trauma includes injury from vehicular collisions, falls from heights, gunshot wounds and burns. Trauma is uniquely defined by the severity and location of the injury.</th>
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<td>THE STATUS OF TRAUMA</td>
<td>Traumatic injury is the leading cause of death of all Americans from birth through age 46, with more than 192,000 deaths from trauma each year and an annual societal cost of more than $671 billion.</td>
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<td>TRAUMA RESEARCH GAPS</td>
<td>There are gaps in clinical knowledge related to non-compressible hemorrhage, resuscitation, regenerative medicine, pre-hospital and en route care, device development, evidence-based approaches to patient and family support following major trauma, and more.</td>
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<td>RESEARCH CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE</td>
<td>Significant and ongoing research support has been shown to drastically reduce fatalities in many disease categories, including HIV/AIDS, Cancer and Heart Disease.</td>
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<td>FUNDING FOR TRAUMA RESEARCH</td>
<td>Since 1966, several federal agencies have issued reports citing a need for increased funding for trauma research, but sufficient funding has never been appropriated.</td>
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<td>CALL TO ACTION</td>
<td>It’s time for a federal commitment to fund traumatic injury research. Even a 5% reduction in trauma deaths and economic burden would translate to 10,000 lives and $33 billion saved EVERY YEAR.</td>
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