

Nelson Score

Centers that admit many elderly ground level falls patients may benefit from adopting this quick screening tool to determine the appropriate service.

American College of Surgeons, 2022 Standards PIPS audit filter 7.8 states:

In all trauma centers, all nonsurgical trauma admissions must be reviewed by the trauma program. Nonsurgical admissions (NSA) without trauma or other surgical consultation, with ISS > 9, or with identified opportunities for improvement must, at a minimum, be reviewed by the TMD in secondary review.

CRITERIA	POINTS
Age >65 years	1
3 or more comorbidities	1
ISS <10	1
Ground level fall (GLF)	1
No ICU admission	1
No need for surgical intervention	1
No blood products given	1

SCORING CRITERIA	
<4 points	Inappropriate non-surgical admit
4-5 points	Further review
6-7 points	Appropriate non-surgical admit

American College of Surgeons, 2022 Standards PIPS 7.2 measures of compliance list the PI audit filter includes "All nonsurgical admissions (excludes isolated hip fractures)" in their list of 29 audit filters to track.



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