

ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §20-13-806

20-13-806. Trauma data collection and evaluation system – Confidentiality of records.

(a)(1) The Department of Health shall develop a trauma data collection and evaluation system known as the "Trauma Registry".

(2) The Trauma Registry shall be designed to study both the individual and collective care and treatment given to patients of the trauma system.

(b)(1) The department may collect, as deemed necessary and appropriate, data and information regarding patients treated and transported from the field, admitted to a facility through the emergency department, through a trauma center, or directly to a special care unit or post-hospitalization facility.

(2) Data and information shall be collected in a manner which protects and maintains the confidential nature of patient records.

(c) Records and reports made pursuant to this subchapter shall be held confidential within the hospital and department and shall not be available to the public.

(d) The department shall require all recipients of sustaining grants under this subchapter to participate in the state-specified Trauma Registry.

History. Acts 1993, No. 559, § 6; [2009, No. 393](#), § 1.