• Treating major trauma in trauma centers makes a difference and is cost-effective

• Tremendous progress in system development although implementation varies greatly
  — What is optimal number and configuration of trauma centers to optimize access & volume?

• Regionalization is not Centralization
  — Systems must be designed to meet ALL needs

• Categorization of hospitals not enough
  — Coordinated EMS and referral system critical

• Systems must be held accountable for performance . . . but need good metrics!