

Emergency

Department

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Introduction

Welcome to the Southern Trust Emergency Medicine team.

Emergency Medicine covers 2 departments in the trust – Craigavon and Daisy Hill.

Craigavon ED

The department is divided into 6 separate areas

- Yellow area (ambulance patients, currently non respiratory)
- Green area (ambulatory patients, currently used for respiratory)
- Blue area (ambulatory/minors)
- Amber resus
- Red resus (patient requiring APGs)
- Paediatrics

Daisy Hill ED

The department is divided into 4 separate areas

- Resus (rooms can be used for either amber or red PPE levels)
- Amber area (respiratory/ambulance/step down resus)
- Green area (non-respiratory patients)
- Paediatrics

Patients are separated into respiratory or non-respiratory waiting rooms after triage.

Medical Staff

Consultants - CAH Consultants - DHH

Ashley Craig Ashley Craig

Cathy Daly Cheryl Gaston

Cheryl Gaston Gareth Hampton

Erskine Holmes Laura Lavery

Laura Lavery Lyndsay Loughins

Lyndsay Loughins Lynda Magowan

Lynda Magowan David Mawhinney

David Mawhinney Ruth Spedding

Elli McCormick Paul Webster

Paul McGarry

Hilda Nicholl Specialty Doctors

David Patton Clodagh Corrigan

Michael Perry Aine Mullen

Julie-Anne Rankin

Paul Webster

Associate Specialist

Suzie Budd

Mark Feenan

Justin McCormick

Specialty Doctors

Angela Cullen

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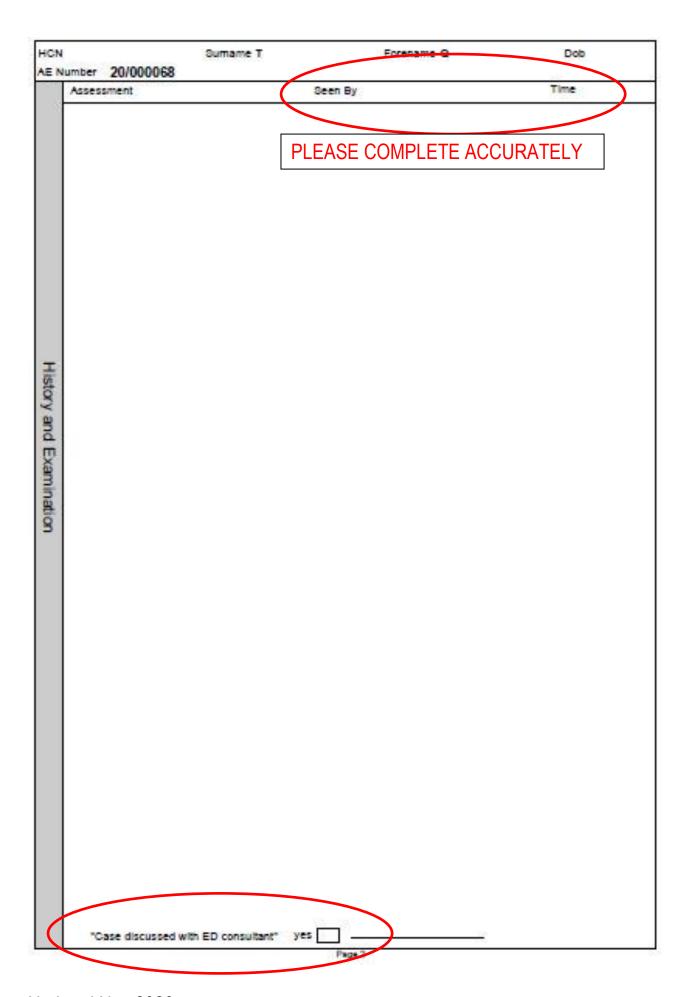
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Paeds	2000	Paeds	1709
OBGYN	2042	OBGYN	1621
Anaesthetics	2013	Cardiology	1650
Mental Health	Switch	Anaesthetics	1130
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		Mental Health	1208

ENT 07785 294 854/1801/Switch

Urology 1144/Switch (until 2300)

Ortho 1777/Swtich

Paeds Ortho RBHSC Switch

Spinal RVH Switch

Neurosurgery 07920 505472

Vascular 07826 539527

Maxfax UHD Switch

Plastics UHD Switch SHO

Burns UHD Switch Plastics Reg

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Please discuss any referral issues with the consultant/senior doctor

Ideally patients should be seen within 1 hours of arrival, with a decision to admit made within 2 hours of the patient's arrival.

If the patient requires admission regardless of investigations then there is no need to wait on these results to make the decision to admit.

Referral to a Speciality Team

Do not allow an SHO or registrar to dissuade you from admitting your patient. If the speciality advises that the patient be discharged then they should assess the patient first and make this decision. Advice over the phone re patient management is of limited value in this context. In the event of difficulty with this, please discuss with senior EM doctor.

Consultant Sign Off

The Royal College of Emergency Medicine recommends that the following types of patients are discussed with a senior doctor prior to discharge from the Emergency Department (ST4+, Associate Specialist, Consultant).

Patients whom are:

- Over 30 years old with atraumatic chest pain
- Febrile children under 1year old
- Unplanned reattenders representing within 72hours of discharge
- Abdominal pain over 70 years old

We expect you to discuss these patients with us. Please document in the notes with whom you discussed the case and enter their initials in the "Cons" box on the EEMs system.

Protocol for Unscheduled Re-Attenders to ED

1. If a person re-attends within 1 week of initial attendance they should be seen by the middle grade or senior doctor on duty.

- 2. If you have discharged a patient and they have returned, then those patients should be seen by another doctor. The only exception to this is if you are now arranging an admission for the patient.
- **3.** If a person subsequently attends a third time, within a short time period, then strong consideration should be given to admission

Requests for Advice over the Telephone

No medical advice should be given over the phone.

If the call is from a patient or relative of a patient who has attended the ED the patients details and a contact number should be taken and the person should be told they will be phoned back, the chart should be pulled and shown to a senior doctor or the nurse in charge who will take responsibility for following up.

Red Flag Referrals

If making a red flag referral a specialty must be named on the referral.

Discharge

Please document the discharge time and appropriate destination for the patient – home, GP, OPD, etc.

If advising to follow up with the GP do not ask the GP to "chase results" Make suggestions for appropriate investigations if not improving and ask the GP to review the patient – they may have their own management plan in mind for the patient.

There a number of outpatient clinics that we can access to avoid admissions including first seizure, TIA and chest pain. There are referrals forms required for each of these.

All patients should be provided with discharge advice on when to return to the ED, and this should be clearly documented.

There are also a number of discharge advice leaflets – head injury, back pain, etc.

ED Reviews

There are a number of patients who will require review again within the ED. These would include patients returning for US Doppler, CT KUB or repeat XR of scaphoid.

If you feel your patient needs a review this must be discussed with the senior doctor on the floor first.

Teaching

ED teaching is currently delivered monthly from 0800-1300. Attendance is expected unless on annual leave or night shift.

Given the current need for social distancing we will be organising teaching over zoom.

M+M

M+M is on the last Wednesday of every month 0930-1100 This is a good opportunity for learning and your attendance is expected if working that day.

Learning from Serious Incidents

Mental Health

Patients presenting with Mental Health problems must have a risk assessment and mental state examination proforma completed. Completion of this will guide you towards the patients level of risk and an action plan box is provided on the form regarding further management.

Chest Pain

Patients with normal troponins/ECGs who have significant risk factors should be considered for admission. Use of a validated risk score is advised. ACS should be considered in patients with upper abdominal pain. Aortic Dissection should be considered in patients with sudden onset, severe chest pain, and this requires urgent CTA investigation.

Insulin

Patient's regular insulin should be prescribed only at the appropriate time. If this time has passed, this should be discussed with the senior doctor.

Unplanned Re-Attender

Patients re-attending within 72hrs should be reviewed by senior doctor

Abdominal Pain

Management of patients that present with abdominal pain, all cases must have the following:

- FBC
- U+E / CRP / LFT / Amylase
- Lactate

AAA should be considered in patients >50yo with abdominal or back pain.

Head Injury/Collapse

Consideration should be given to the need for cervical spine immobilisation following a fall/head injury, especially in intoxicated patients.

Paediatric Sepsis

Use of the paediatric sepsis assessment proforma to assist in the recognition of sepsis in children

LMWH in VTE

All patient require an assessment of their bleeding risk prior to administration of LMWH

Stroke

Patients presenting with suspected stroke within 24hrs should be assessed by the stroke team

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Cardiology opinion should be sought prior to non-emergent DCC

Asthma

Peak flow measurements should be taken before and after treatment An appropriate, documented action plan should be given to the patient prior to discharge

Discharge

Appropriate discharge should be given to patients and documented in the flimsy.

Methadone

Methadone should not be prescribed or administered in the ED

Anaphylaxis

Patients treated with IV medication or IM Adrenaline require a minimum period of observation (eg. 6 hours post administration)

PEG Tube Replacement

Specific guidance and equipment available for the replacement of PEG tubes

My Emergency Department App

The app is used by staff in both departments and is used for educational updates, guidelines and hospital information.

It has ED relevant local and national guidelines. It also has an Education Portal with the department's induction material, educational content and news and alerts. It has a Contacts section with all off the hospital's directory - bleeps, contacts for quick reference and other useful contacts. It also has a quick reference Medication and How-To section.

To download the app:

Apple

https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/my-emergency-department/id1455792670

Android

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.eolasmedical.theemergen cydepartmentapp&hl=en_GB

Browser

https://my-emergency-department.com/

Online Resources

For additional information and further induction

RCEMLearning Induction Books

https://www.rcemlearning.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/RCEM-Induction-book.pdf

https://www.rcemlearning.co.uk/wpcontent/uploads/foamed/induction-2-introduction/RCEM-Learning-Induction-Book-2-v5.pdf

https://www.rcemlearning.co.uk/wp-content/pdfs/RCEM%20Learning%20PEM%20Starter%20Pack.pdf

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