

## Cork University Maternity Hospital

DIRECTOR OF MIDWIFERY CUMH/DEPUTY

### FUNCTION/ROLE: To:

- Ensure that the agreed bed capacity is made available in the event of a major emergency.

### ACTIVATION PROCEDURE:

- You will be informed by the Director of Nursing – Alert level 2.

- Contact made from CUH to Clinical Midwifery Manager on duty.
- Clinical Midwifery Manager on duty to contact the chair of Division/Directorate.
- Elective work on 4 South to be cancelled.
- 20 bed capacity in 4 South to be freed up in the event of the major emergency plan being activated (10 beds in SFH & 10 beds EH previously).
- Midwifery Manager on duty to contact necessary heads of department i.e. Portering, housekeeping, Noonan's to assist in the freeing up of beds.
- All maternity work will continue as normal.
- Liaise with bed management or Director of Nursing to transfer existing patients from ED to 4 South.
- Additional staff if required to be called in by Clinical Midwifery Manager or team.
- Should women and babies need to be discharged home they will be accommodated in the lounge areas until fathers come to collect them.
- Security can be contacted to be informed of the names of mothers being discharged or taxis called to drive the mother and baby home.