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CUH Emergency Department | Mater Private Cork (MPC) Transfer Protocol

General transfer criteria

- Low to moderate acuity patients with suspected acute medical or surgical presentations, likely to require admission, should be considered for transfer to MPC.
- The decision to transfer to MPC may be made by following CUH ED registration, in consultation with a CUH EM Consultant, broadly in keeping with the following undifferentiated complaints/conditions.

o Surgical

- Abdominal pain ?Appendicitis ?Gallstones ?Diverticulitis

o Medical

- **Resp:** PE, Community Acquired Pneumonia, Premorbid conditions requiring medical optimisation (Asthma, COPD, Fibrosis).
- **GIT:** PUD, stable upper GiB, stable lower GiB, IBD, Non-specific D&V; Refractory Nausea & Vomiting;
- **ID:** Cellulitis [where CDU bed not available]. [Breast Cellulitis excluded]
- **Endocrine:** Diabetics requiring medical optimisation.
- **Syncope:** Collapse? Cause, Undifferentiated Syncope (exclusion: possible Cardiogenic Syncope)
- **GUT:** Complicated UTI

See appendix 1

MPC does not accept Paediatrics, Psychiatry, Acute Neurology, Poisoning, Obstetrics/Gynae

Transfer process

- Contact the MPC ED (021 601 3216) or call the EM Physician on call to agree transfer.
- CNM ED transferring hospital to CNM MPH call (021 6013216/ 021 6013312) to provide nursing handover pre-transfer using the ISBAR tool. Nursing care needs, fall risk, social issues etc to be discussed.
- Email patient details as per Transfer Form with copies of relevant results and investigations to mpced@materprivate.ie.

See Appendix 2

- Cannula may be left in situ if clinically suitable. *(Please ensure details on the transfer form regarding the cannula are completed)*
- Place patient details (sticker) in MPC transfer book with suspected diagnosis and date (MPC book is located in RASTA)

Please ensure contact details (name and telephone number) of referring department/ward are completed on the transfer document.