

24 ESSENTIAL CLINICAL SERVICES	Cork University Hospital	ACTION CARD NUMBER
	Maternity Services	24.1
You Report To:	HECT	You Brief: CUMH Team
Overall Responsibilities		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the agreed bed capacity is made available in the event of a major emergency • You will be informed by the Director of Nursing – Alert level 2, Additionally CUMH Switchboard will be alerted by CUH Switchboard • Alert level 1 and will in turn alert Hospital Manager, Director of Midwifery and the Clinical Director 	
IMMEDIATE ACTIONS ON NOTIFICATION/ACTIVATION		
ON ACTIVATION		ON STANDBY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Midwifery Manager on duty to contact the Chair of Division/Directorate 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify potential patients for discharge
Consider these points		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Contact made from CUH to Clinical Midwifery Manager on duty ➤ Elective work on 2 South to be cancelled ➤ 20 bed capacity in 2 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 2 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 		

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