

4 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT	Cork University Hospital		ACTION CARD NUMBER
	Ambulance Triage Nurse		4.2
You Report To:	ED CNM3	You Brief:	Triage Team
Overall Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure that all casualties are triaged on entering the emergency department.• The appropriate Triaging using Major Incident Triage Tool (MITT) of casualties at ambulance entrance.• After ED Triage you may need to change the priority on ambulance cruciform (Triage Sieve).• Ensure Clerical support available to compile Patient Tracking Document.• Visibly walking wounded casualties to be streamed to Ambulatory Triage Area via external pathway to main ED entrance/surveillance desk for further Triage Sort of casualties.• Liaison with ED medical staff allocated to triage.• Liaison with CNM 2 Shift leader/CNM3.• Liaise with Red/ Yellow/ Green Area Leaders as needed.		
IMMEDIATE ACTIONS ON NOTIFICATION/ACTIVATION			
ON ACTIVATION		ON STANDBY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prepare Area for triaging patients. You will need MEP charts, vitals monitor, PPE, extra cruciforms, Major Incident Triage Tool (MITT) Stickers.• Bring the Major Emergency Plan CUH charts to the Ambulance Triage Area at ambulance entrance. Start with Box 1.• Commence triaging casualties using MITT and assign each casualty a Major Emergency Plan (MEP) CUH Chart, including those who are deceased on arrival.• Complete the MITT sticker on front of chart.• Exercise clinical judgement. Clinical Judgement can override triage as appropriate• Apply pseudonym wristband provided in MEP chart to casualty's wrist.• Apply MEP chart alias sticker to front of ED Cruciform and place on patient. (Colour on cruciform directs porter where patient should go).• Highlight on MEP MAP that space is occupied.• ED HCA to be allocated to assist with patient movement.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read and familiarise yourself with action card• Revise the ED Triage MITT system.• Liaise with the senior ED nurse and Senior ED Medical Staff and await further developments.	

Consider these points

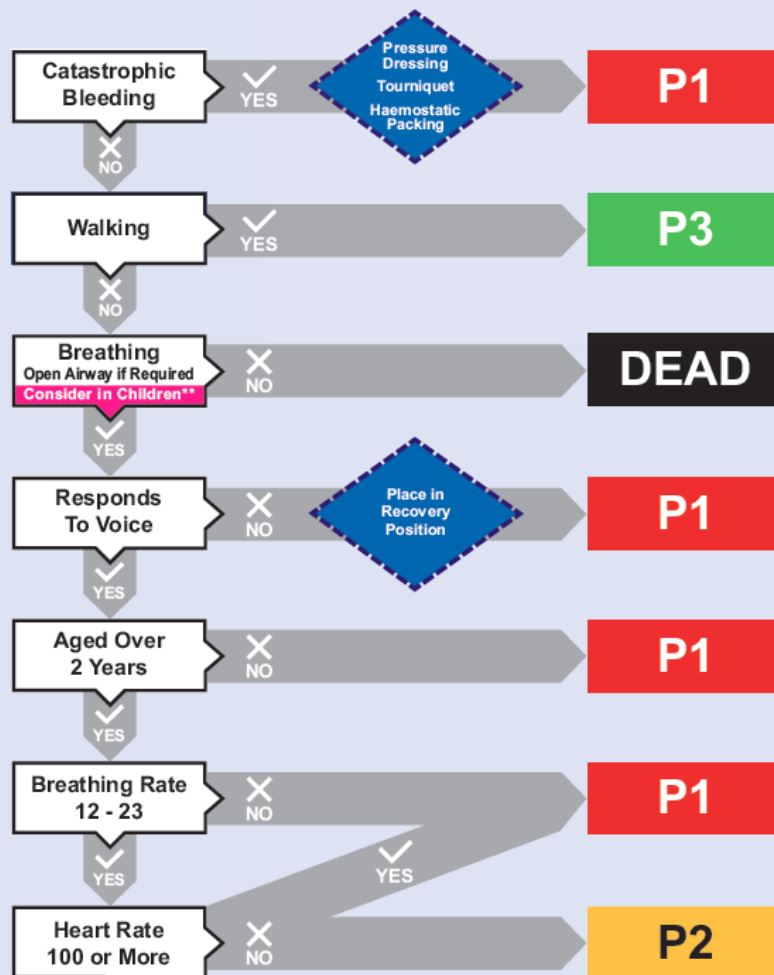
TRIAGE TEAM (1 DOCTOR, 1 NURSE)

Triage patients on arrival into appropriate category

Red (Priority 1)	Critical – Needs resuscitation
Yellow (Priority 2)	Serious
Green (Priority 3)	Minor Injuries
White	D.O.A

1. Apply MEP CUH chart casualty pseudonym wristband to each casualty. Patients who present who are not part of MEP are still given an MEP chart and pseudonym.
2. Appropriate documentation on MEP cruciform
3. Major Emergency Plan CUH chart stationary to be used in all documentation, e.g. specimen labels, X-Rays, etc.
4. Send casualty to appropriate area, liaise with portering and allocated HCA
5. Notes, property, etc. to stay with casualty.

NHS Major Incident Triage Tool (MITT)



** In Children (<12 years) who are not breathing**

If resources allow, consider 5 Rescue Breaths if: Submersion / Immersion / Smoke Inhalation