

4. EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT	Cork University Hospital		ACTION CARD NUMBER
	ED Yellow Area Nurse		4.6
You Report To:	Yellow Area Leader	You Brief:	Nursing and ED Medical staff – Red Area
Overall Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prepare the Yellow area to function for casualties with significant injuries.</li><li>• Provide nursing care for patients</li><li>• Coordinate with the treating medics the safe transfer of patients for indicated diagnostic and treatment procedures</li><li>• Yellow spaces will open in a staged fashion as staffing allows.</li><li>• Communicate with ED Yellow Area Leader</li></ul>		
IMMEDIATE ACTIONS ON NOTIFICATION/ACTIVATION			
ON ACTIVATION		ON STANDBY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You have been allocated as yellow area Nurse in one of the following yellow areas:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ <b>Yellow Zone 1</b>- Cubicles 1,2,3,4 &amp; Rasta P x 2 spaces</li><li>◦ <b>Yellow Zone 2</b>- CDU</li><li>◦ <b>Yellow Zone 3</b>- GEMS</li></ul></li><li>• Ensure 02, suction and monitoring equipment are in working area.</li><li>• Liaise with Portering staff to collect MEP stock and equipment from Glandore MEP storeroom.</li><li>• Prepare Yellow Area for the reception of seriously injured casualties with following stock:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Airway Grab Box (24)</li><li>◦ IV Cannulation Grab Bag (24)</li><li>◦ Thoracotomy Grab Bag* (12)</li><li>◦ Major Haemorrhage Grab Bag* (12)</li></ul><i>*one between each bay</i></li><li>• Ensure Yellow Area cages are brought from Glandore MEP storeroom containing:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Burns</li></ul></li><li>• Paeds airway grabbox &lt;22kg (x6) and &gt;22kg(x 12), paed's thoracostomy boxes (x 12) and burns equipment containers available on the main ED corridor.</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read and familiarise yourself with action card</li><li>• In collaboration and discussion with the team identify patients within Majors suitable for transfer to an appropriate alternative location</li><li>• Liaise with the Yellow Area Leader Senior ED Medical Staff and await further developments</li></ul>	

- Assess patients on arrival to your area, document care and liaise with Yellow Area Leader if patient deteriorates
- Provide nursing care for yellow area patients while working closely with the treatment team.
- Liaise with the treatment teams to prioritise the use of diagnostic and treatment resources for the most critical cases
- Escalate to Yellow Area Leader if additional stock or human resources are required for Majors

#### Consider these points

**PRIORITY 2 AREA**  
 CUBICLES 1, 2, 3, 4, Rasta P x 2 spaces (6 spaces)  
 CLINICAL DECISION UNIT (CDU, 12 spaces)  
 GERIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE (6 SPACES)  
**TOTAL OF 24 TREATMENT SPACES**

4. Electronic ordering of diagnostics will be possible as soon as the casualty alias is registered in the ED. Continue standard daily practice in relation to electronic ordering of diagnostics.

**Once a Major Emergency has been declared all ED clinicians should logout of iCM and log back into iCM using the MEP Username and Password.**

**Username: MEPMEP**

**Password: MEPMEP**

**This Profile will display all 300 MEP Patients on the one list negating the need for these patients to be registered on iPMS.**

5. Continue use of allocated casualty alias for entire care episode in the ED.
6. If further staffing/resources are required contact designated ED Yellow Area Leader

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