

<b>6 SURGERY</b>	<b>Cork University Hospital</b>	<b>ACTION CARD NUMBER</b>	
	<b>Surgical Consultants</b>	<b>6.3</b>	
<b>You Report To:</b>	Clinical Director	<b>You Brief:</b> Surgical Team	
<b>Overall Responsibilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that surgical services in the hospital are managed appropriately during a major emergency</li> <li>• Ensure that surgical in-patients in the hospital are managed appropriately during a major emergency.</li> </ul>		
<b>IMMEDIATE ACTIONS ON NOTIFICATION/ACTIVATION</b>			
	<b>ON ACTIVATION</b>	<b>ON STANDBY</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All non-emergency surgery cancelled</li> <li>• All outpatients cancelled</li> <li>• Prioritise patients for theatre.</li> <li>• Appoint a Deputy to oversee activity in theatres and pre-op area. This deputy to keep Surgical Triage Officer informed on all progress.</li> <li>• Designate a treatment team(s) if needed to the Emergency Department pre-op areas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrange to prioritise ward patients for potential discharge on all surgical wards.</li> <li>• Liaise with the Theatre CNM3.</li> <li>• Designate operating teams.</li> <li>• Liaise closely with the Medical Director of the ED, the Medical Triage Officer, the Anaesthetic and ITU Consultants and the Hospital Co-ordinator.</li> <li>• Prepare to cancel all elective and outpatient activity</li> </ul>	
<b>Consider these points</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Consider transfer of all stable patients to other support hospitals in the region</li> <li>➤ Emergency operating teams may need to consist of a variety of surgical specialties</li> <li>➤ Calling in additional Surgical staff as the requirements dictate, but anticipating future staffing requirements as well</li> </ul>			

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