

Resuscitation policy appendix A 4

Site Emergency Response Protocol

Evesham Community Hospital

Theatres, CIU & Burlingham Ward

Statement of function :

The hospital emergency team will respond (when summoned via the site radio network) to any emergency where their assistance has been thought necessary. While waiting for the arrival of the team staff should commence basic or advanced life support measures as appropriate.

All attempts at resuscitation will follow the current guidelines issued by the Resuscitation Council UK

Exclusions :

Attempts at resuscitation will be made on all persons except where a not for attempted resuscitation (DNACPR) decision has been made as per the trust "Do Not Attempt CPR" policy.

Hours of operation :

The emergency team will be available at all times.

Area of cover :

The hospital emergency team will provide a response to the whole hospital site irrespective of managing NHS trust.

Workflow :

In the event of cardio / respiratory arrest staff should initiate basic life support measures. Help should be obtained as soon as possible by activating the emergency call button on the site radio handset.

An emergency ambulance must also be summoned via the (9)999 system.

Appropriate emergency equipment (including a defibrillator) will be available to all clinical areas (or brought to the area by the senior nurse responder). In the event of an emergency away from a clinical area (ie: car park / coffee shop etc) equipment may be obtained from the nearest clinical area.

Emergency radios :

The site radio network provides person-to-person communication. In the event of an emergency, an 'all stations' alert broadcast can be activated.

Each unit has immediate access to a radio. Training will be provided through local induction.

Radio failure and maintenance arrangements are addressed in the site operational policy, provided by the site lead organisation, Worcestershire Health & Care Trust.

Site Emergency Team composition :

A response will **always** be made by :

Senior Nurse (ILS Nurse responder)
Nurse responder

A response will be made **if and when possible** by :

Minor Injury Unit Nurse
Staff Grade Medical Officer
Theatres
Porter