NCTTRAC SATURATION LEVEL BASED SURGE RESPONSE PLAN Emergency Department (DRAFT revision V.2012.11.29)

GREEN (Normal)	YELLOW	ORANGE	RED	Black
(Not busy/Busy)	(Very busy)	(Overcrowded)	(Severe)	(Disaster)
 Flow Coord monitors SAT LEVEL every 2 hours Flow Coord monitors EMResource ED Supr conducts shift huddles at change of shift Flow coordinator maintains "bed ahead" assignments for EMS and Triage Team Leaders/Resource nurse assigned to care teams WOW triage and direct to bed protocols carried out ACE routine hours ED providers conduct medical screening exams within 30 min of arrival ED patients discharged within 15 min of DC order Admission orders written by admitting physician within 30 minutes Patients with room assigned are transferred within 30 minutes SAT LEVEL flag in care team at appropriate surge level (all Care Teams, Triage, and Fishbowl). Supr/Shift Leader rounds to checks flags. 	 Flow Coord monitors SAT LEVEL every 2 hours Report "Very Busy" status to ED Supr and Admin Supr 	 Flow Coord monitors SAT LEVEL every 1 hour Report "Overcrowded" status to ED Supr, Admin Supr, and ED Mgr Flow Coord, ED Supr, ED Mgr and physician huddle at Flow Coord desk at onset of "OC" status and every 2-4 hours Team Leader/Resource nurse huddles with staff and physician in assigned Care Team to communicate surge plan and discuss/expedite plans for each patient's disposition. Supr/Shift Leader huddles with Ancillary Services (Access, Radiology, Lab, EVS, Transport) Supr/Shift Leader flips SAT LEVEL flag in Fishbowl and updates admitting/consulting physicians. Flow Coordinator monitors pending discharges and notifies Supervisor/Shift Leader of any delays Consider need for Surge Provider in Triage Supervisor/Physician review pending admissions for <i>Call for Orders</i> potential. Hospitalists called. Admitting physicians contacted for rapid disposition of admitted patients 	 Monitors SAT LEVEL every 1 hour Report "Severe" status to Admin Supr, Manager, and Director ED Director notifies CNO Flow Coord, ED Supr, ED Mgr/Dir (if on-site) and A- Area physician huddle at Flow Coord desk at onset of "Severe" status and every 1- 2 hours Surge plan for next 1-2 hours communicated to ED personnel Move appropriate pending discharges to sub-waiting room. Consider consolidating all admissions to one care team (C or D). Reassign Providers to assist with surge. ED Materials staff check stock levels and resupply as needed Assess need for additional nursing staff and initiate call tree. Consider expanding vertical flow model to other care teams. 	 If ED Disaster level only and no other internal disaster, Admin Supr meets with ED Director and VP's and CNO to determine plan to decompress ED. For full disaster activation, ED representative reports to Hospital Command Center by foot or by phone If Internal Disaster called, Flow Coordinator Enters "Closed" status on EMSystem. Updates every 2 hours while on Internal Disaster. Report available resources or needs to the Hospital Command Center.





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