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SOP Objectives	To ensure patients are cared for in a safe environment achieving both quality and good patient experience. Also leading to optimum patient flow to ease congestion in the ED.
Scope	
Performance Measures	
Related Documents	

Work	Work Instruction – Role of the Co-ordinator in the Emergency department				
No.	Action	Responsibility			
1	Make sure that the department is at safe staffing levels for the next 48 hours and escalates to Matron if necessary				
2	Making sure if staff call in sick all the appropriate amendments are made e.g. roster and putting out to bank.				
3	<ul> <li>Maintains patient safety</li> <li>Co-ordinates the shift and assists in busy areas where appropriate supporting staff where needed</li> <li>Manages delays in patient care by moving staff around the department and assessing departmental flow delays</li> <li>Receives referrals/ diverts from other areas in the department with courtesy and professionalism escalating if appropriate</li> <li>Makes sure the area is clean, tidy and maintains a professional appearance at all times</li> <li>Makes sure that there are no unnecessary delays in patient care</li> </ul>				
4	Maintains staff welfare in the team				
5	Acts as a clinical lead and provides advice and support to the nursing team				
6	Communicating well with patients if there are long delays in the department and deescalating any complaints within the department				
7	Works closely with the senior doctor on shift and also highlighting and challenging any areas of questionable practice from doctors.				
8	Make sure all breaches are correct on the tracking screen and the reasons are correct especially before finishing shift				