

Role of the On Call Medical Registrar in the Emergency Department

- To be aware of all patients moving into non-AMU bed but inside medical division
- To see all patients transferring to bed outside medical division (outlying ward)
- To be aware of all “sick patients” – take a verbal referral and decide clerking priority (judge individually & manage take)
- To be involved with the care of patients scoring 6 or more on NEWS
- To be aware of patients going directly to HDU/ICU
- To be available to give a medical opinion to facilitate discharge from ED or safer transfer into another speciality bed-base
- To see patients who need CCU or Stroke bed

Who can transfer cross site?

- Low MEWS
- Not needing social services
- Speciality determined

Role of the On Call Surgical Registrar in the Emergency Department at HRI

- To be involved in the care of critically unwell patients in ED or Resus area with suspected surgical pathology.
- To be aware of surgical patients going directly to HDU/ICU and make consultant aware of such patients (note: this policy is already in place)
- To see all patients being admitted to the Surgical Department regardless of location at HRI in line with Royal College guidance.
- To advise on follow up in the Surgical Ambulatory Unit when patients do not require admission.
- To provide or organise a surgical opinion to facilitate safe transfer into another speciality bed-base.
- To provide advice on appropriate imaging in cases with diagnostic uncertainty.
- To provide advice and assistance for trauma calls.

Please note:

- All of the above require appropriate communication with the surgical team.
- In event of any doubt, the on-call Consultant can be contacted directly and this is preferable to non-clinical staff.
- In situations where the surgical registrar out of hours is in theatre or already involved with a critically ill patient, we would expect appropriate delegation within the on-call team.

Role of the On Call CRH Surgical Registrar

- All ward referrals for a surgical opinion 17:00hrs to 08:00hrs weekdays and at weekends.
- Patients in resus at CRH with suspected surgical pathology.

Please note:

- Cover during weekday (08:00hrs to 17:00hrs) is by the Sub-acute Consultant Surgeon. They also undertake clinical activity in a building that has poor mobile reception. Switchboard have a copy of the rota and locations in the event of voicemail so if unable to contact directly, please contact the relevant clinical area.