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## CODE BLUE RESPONSE

<u>Description</u>	<u>Purpose and Scope</u>	<u>Definitions &amp; Abbreviations</u>	<u>Procedure Standards</u>
<u>Legislation, Acts &amp; Standards</u> Legislation, Acts & Standards	<u>Key Aligned Documents</u>	<u>References</u>	<u>Governance</u>

### Description

Code Blue is activated for a Medical Emergency, being any incident in which trained staff are required to respond to a medical emergency, which is beyond the normal routine of the facility.

### Procedure Applies To

All staff who work at Upper Murray Health & Community Services.

### Purpose and Scope

Upper Murray Health & Community Service staff will respond to Code Blue emergencies in a timely and coordinated manner with a successful outcome.

### Definitions & Abbreviations

### Procedure Standards

#### Resuscitation Team Members

- Nurse in charge
- Registered Nurses/ Enrolled Nurse x 3 if possible

#### Roles

- Nurse in charge: coordinator of code, airway management
- Registered Nurse (ALS accredited): defib, drugs
- Registered Nurse/ Enrolled Nurse: Scribe
- Registered Nurse/ Enrolled Nurse: Scout

Staff member originating code to stay with patient and call for help.

#### Start Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation

#### Raise Alarm

- In hours ring switch 63200L State Code Blue- Clearly state Code Blue and location
- Switch operator will go to the EWIS Panel and turn on the public address system and clearly announce that there is a Code Blue and the location
- Out of hours nursing staff will ring the medical officer on call

- Outside of hospital building call for help and ring 000. Commence CPR.

## Responsibilities

### Coordinator:

- Coordinate event
- Maintain airway
- In hours organise for alarm to be raised
- After hours organise nurse/ personal care worker/ hospitality staff to call Medical Officer on call

### Defib Nurse

- Take crash trolley to Code Blue if the event has occurred away from HDU
- Do not take the crash cart out of main hospital building
- Attach defib pads and commence monitoring
- Resuscitation according to ALS

### Scribe

- To provide accurate documentation of events of Code from commencement to completion

### Scout

- Obtain any extra equipment required in a timely manner
- Ensure a staff member is with the family/ relative/ witness as required
- Participate in the Code Blue event as directed by the coordinator

## Legislation, Acts & Standards

- QICSA Standard Reference: 2.2, 2.5, 3.1
- NSQHS Standard Reference: 9

## Key Aligned Documents

## References

- Australian Resuscitation Guidelines 2012
- Emergency Response Team- (Respond Blue): Kyabram & District Health Service

## Governance

Version Control and Change History		
Version Number	Approval Date	Amendment
4.0	04/04/2014	Put into new for mat

## APPENDIX 1- FLOWCHART

### Cardio-Pulmonary Arrest Flow Chart

