Center for the Urban Child (CUC) to ED Referrals: Urgent and Emergent Transfers

Example of LOW RISK/STABLE patients: Low risk of deterioration

Jaundice
Fever/limp
Fever without source
Fever unknown origin (FUO)
Stable pneumonia

Examples of MODERATE RISK patients: Impending deterioration

Croup
Bronchiolitis
Pneumonia with hypoxia
Asthma exacerbation (stable) that fails to improve in office
Febrile young infant w/ tachycardia

Examples of HIGH RISK patients: Imminent risk of deterioration

Severe croup w/ distress
Pneumonia w/ distress
Asthma w/ hypoxia/distress
Respiratory Failure
Prolonged seizure
Any airway compromise or arrhythmia

Communication/Documentation Steps: FOR ALL CUC to ED Transfers

Call SCHC ED Communication Center @ 215-427-6900. (do this even if you spoke with ED attending or ED nurse to assure that an ED prearrival <u>note</u> is created). ****ED attending may be PATCHED IN if requested**

- √ Patient Name/DOB
- ✓ Relevant Medical Information: HPI, EXAM, PMH, Rx, testing results
- ✓ Concerns: Medical, social, other
- ✓ Requests: Callback (name/contact number). When pt arrives or at end of ED evaluation?
- ✓ Consult specialist ______
- ✓ Obtain study _____

Document call in Next Gen:

✓ Date/time, who took the call from ED communications center.

*Any information provided may be entered into the ED EMR. Please be specific about any <u>key concerns or requests</u> (e.g., "please make sure to write down that I want to be called as soon as the patient arrives in the ED"

LOW RISK/STABLE patients (see above) MAY or MAY NOT need admission. This is NOT a direct admit. For direct admits, follow Direct Admission Protocol.

- 1. Follow steps in Box 2 (Communication/Documentation steps)
- 2. Send parent/patient to ED for further evaluation. No escort team needed if family reliable/low risk. Send with resident or CUC staff member if possible for wayfinding.
- 3. Inform management team of transfer for further review/debrief. Event reporting (Quantros) not indicated.

MODERATE RISK patients who require further workup/care in ED but have MODERATE risk of impending deterioration (see above): MAY or MAY NOT need admission.

- 1. Follow steps in Box 2 (Communication/Documentation steps)
- 2. If ED determines patient can be safely transported by CUC team, a 2-person clinical team should be deployed to escort family (PNP/provider/resident + RN or MA depending on level of stability)
- 3. Complete QUANTROS event reporting.
- 4. Inform management team of transfer for further review/debrief via tasking chart in Next Gen.

HIGH RISK patients who have imminent risk of deterioration (see above):

- 1. SCPA attending/CRNP stay with patient. CALL FOR HELP. Delegate SCPA team members to inform RN team to support /stabilize patient. RN should designate team member to inform management team immediately via cell phone/text.
- 2. Delegate team member to Call CODE 99 (80 on SCHC phones).
- 3. SCPA team (Provider/RN/MA): begin high quality CPR, administer O2, BVM, PRN needs of patient.
- 4. Inform security and front desk staff of code for wayfinding.
- 5. After transfer, Complete QUANTROS event reporting.
- 6. Inform management team of transfer for further review/debrief via tasking chart in Next Gen.

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