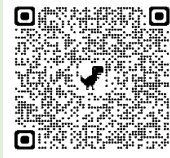


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Critical Care - Tier 4 Checklist

Clinical Services	Available here?	Notes / Improvement Measures:
④ Provide immediate resuscitation and cardio-respiratory support for up to 72 hours typically, may extend length of stay as appropriate		
④ Written care plan reviewed on multi-disciplinary rounds every 24 hours		
④ Written criteria for when escalation of care is required and consideration of transport to a higher tier is necessary		
④ Review and documentation of patient's Goals of Care with each ICU admission and as needed when condition changes.		
④ Processes and equipment to meet patient and family spiritual needs (i.e. virtual communication devices, protocols for accommodating ceremonies, etc)		
④ IMV capacity in a minimum of 25-50% of beds, depending on patient mix		
④ Tracheostomy care after first trach change		
④ Acute non-invasive ventilation		
④ Stable long-term invasive mechanical ventilation patient waiting for placement other than ICU		
④ Chest tube insertion, maintenance and removal		
④ Ultrasound guided thoracentesis		
④ High Flow Oxygen Therapy (AIRVO or OptiFlow)		

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④ Prone positioning, chest physiotherapy, cough assist		
④ Sepsis management of unstable patients		
④ Management of infection disease requiring negative pressure room and the ability to ventilate within ventilator bed capacity		
④ Management of diseases requiring a private room for isolation		
④ Code Blue for all patient populations (including pediatrics patients to stabilize and transfer) with ACLS level care (defib, cardioversion, transcutaneous pacing)		
④ Post cardiac arrest management, stabilize and transfer to Tier 5 or 6 as required		
④ Arterial and central line insertion and pressure monitoring		
④ Single or multiple vasoactive/inotropic infusions		
④ Unstable angina/arteriosclerotic heart disease with known disease, no new management options required		
④ Temporary transcutaneous pacing		
④ Continuous cardiac monitoring		
④ Intermittent pneumatic compression (calf compressors)		
④ Protocols and pharmaceuticals available for care of STEMI and Non-STEMI with tenecteplase, in consultation with Cardiology		
④ Cooling/warming, targeted temperature management		
④ Non-invasive intra-cranial pressure monitoring (i.e. GCS, pupils)		
④ Management of increased ICP with medications in consult with Neurologist		
④ Non-surgical management of stroke in consult with Neurologist (i.e. administration of tPA)		
④ Train of Four monitoring		
④ IV infusion of paralytic medications		
④ Management of DKA/hypoglycemia		
④ Management of diabetes insipidus requiring hourly intake/output monitoring and adjustment of IV fluids/medications		
④ Insulin infusion - ICU protocols		

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④ TPN- initiate and continue specialty compounding of solutions M-F, base solutions on weekend		
④ Initate and manage tube feeding including standardized protocols for nutritional management		
④ Fecal management system		
④ NG/OG insertion in an unconscious patient		
④ Esophageal tamponade tube insertion (i.e. Minnesota Tube) for stabilization and potential transport		
④ Nursing to manage established peritoneal dialysis when patient/family are unable to with support from Nephrology and provincial kidney program as needed (support may be virtual)		
④ Pressure injury prevention and management, including access to specialty mattresses and pressure relieving devices		
④ Negative Pressure Wound Therapy with support from wound care nurse as required		
④ Recognition of potential organ or tissue donor, consultation with Organ Donor Coordinators for further assessment		
④ Patient/family support in partnership with the Organ Donor Coordinator (support may be virtual/remote)		
④ Care of the donor until transport to Tier 6		
④ Organ donor transport to Tier 6 as appropriate		
④ In units where children may be admitted, provide emergency stabilization and support prior to transfer to JPCH PICU within 24 hours		
④ Stabilization and transfer of critically ill or injured obstetrical patients in consult with obstetrician		
④ Care of obstetrical emergencies, stabilize and transfer to Tier 6 (i.e. hypertensive crisis, post-partum hemorrhage)		
④ Rapid Response/Outreach Team support (assessment and management of deteriorating patient on general ward)		
④ Code blue support		
④ Trauma team support		
④ RT escort for mechanically ventilated patients requiring tests/treatments outside ICU, where required		
④ 10% of patient days with IMV and greater than 15 % of patient days with IMV + NIV (NIV includes CPAP, BiPAP and HFNC greater than 50 L/min)		
④ Some patient days with arterial line monitoring		
④ Some patient days with vasoactive/inotropic infusions		
④ Annual occupancy rate of 50% or more		

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④ Physician - Internal Medicine, Anesthesia, Emergency, General Medicine or Surgeon		
Critical Care trained RN - ability to meet 1:1 nurse to patient ratio if care needs require it. Supernumary charge RN.		
④ Minimum 2 RNs present in the unit at all time when a patient is admitted to unit. Local Clinical Nurse Educator/Clinical Resource Nurse and front line Critical Care team in Tier 4 ICUs will have access to Critical Care Outreach Coordinators for educational support		
④ Continuing Care Aid or Unit Support Worker - 8 hr/day		
④ Unit Clerk 6-8 hr, M-F		
④ RT participate in rounds M-F, on site 8-12 hours 5 days per week and on call after hours (at minimum)		
④ PT on site 5 days per week, participate in rounds as able		
④ Registered Dietitian participate in round M-F, 1 RD:20 ICU beds		
④ SLP & OT available 5 days per week, participate in rounds as able/needed		
④ Social Work participate in rounds M-F, available 5 days per week		
④ Cultural Liaison available 5 days per week		
④ Pharmacy dept to provide some pre-mixed medications to the ICU prioritizing high risk medications		
④ Pharmacy technician time - 30 minutes per ICU bed		
④ Pharmacist dedicated to support ICU 7 days per week, on call after hours; 1 Pharmacist FTE:12 ICU beds		
④ TPN- initiate and continue specialty compounding of solutions M-F, base solutions on weekend		
④ Thrombolytic components for tPA or TNK and medications used for massive transfusion protocols (i.e. tranexamic acid)		
④ Automated medication system available to support medication safety (i.e. Pyxis)		
④ Lab services available 24/7 for ICU support		
④ Metrics of renal function and dehydration: electrolytes, urea, creatinine		
④ Markers of heart function or damage: Troponin		
④ Blood gases		
④ Metrics of coagulation: D-dimers or equivalent		
④ Metrics of inflammation: lactate or procalcitonin		
④ Markers of blood cell status: Hb, WCC, etc		
④ Microbiology: processes in place to support cultures off site		

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④ Access to ECG 24/7		
④ Portable x-ray		
④ Ultrasound		
④ CT services		
④ Interventional radiology - i.e. CT or US guided biopsy, drainage, spinal injections		
④ Fluoroscopy		
④ Modified barium swallowing		
④ Access to echocardiography 5 days per week		
④ Radiologist available 24/7		
④ Ventilators, intubation supplies, NIV/HFNC devices, suction (including portable for transport of patients outside of ICU)		
④ Cardiac bedside monitors with the ability to support continuous cardiac and hemodynamic monitoring (ART line and CVP), Respiratory measurements such as SpO2 and EtCO2)		
④ Temporary transcutaneous pacing device		
④ Intermittent pneumatic compression devices		
④ Train of Four monitor		
④ Cooling, warming devices		
④ Tube feed pump		
④ Rapid infuser		
④ Pressure relieving devices (specialty mattresses, cushions, boots, etc). Mobility devices. Mechanical percussor/vibration, cough assist machine.		
④ Access to vac dressing pumps		
④ Virtual communication devices for patient and family. Recliners or other comfortable sitting for visitors.		
④ Computer for each bed plus additional workstations for physicians, charge nurse and unit support staff. A computer on wheels.		
④ Desk for each bed (build in or mobile)		
④ Two bedside tables per bed		
④ Supply cart for each patient room		
④ Commode		
④ Negative pressure room(s) for isolation. Private rooms that allow for isolation precautions		
④ Video monitoring system for patient rooms and doorways		

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④ Ceiling tracks and lifts including some with bariatric weight capacity		
④ Oxygen and medical gas outlets available for each side of the bed, and sufficient oxygen and medical gas capacity for facility overall given bed/IMV/NIV capacity		
④ Adequate suction capacity for each patient room - should be available on each side of the bed		
④ 3 - 4 emergency back up power outlets for each bed or if at possible Uninterrupted Power Supply outlets for emergency equipment such as ventilators		
④ Physical space in room that is adequate to perform care		
④ Hand washing capacity within the room or very near by. Adequate ability to dispose of patient blood and body fluids - hoppers, toilets etc		
④ Lighting to suit both task and ambient. Blinds, curtains or electric glass for privacy.		

Legend:

- ④ Services or requirements expected for teams/facilities providing Tier 4 services
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Director review of completed checklist by:

Date of review:

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