

To limit exposure risks to the teams responding to Code Blues changes will need to be made to how we respond to them. These changes will apply mainly to ICU, CCU, and AR2s. If you are not one of these residents and you see an emergent situation, always tend to the emergent needs of the patient first. The following changes are being implemented.

- 1.) Residents responding to Code Blues should go to them as usual (i.e. ICU senior w/o pager, ICU intern w/pager etc.)
- 2.) If the Code Blue is in T3 or T2, then ONLY one of the ICU Seniors should enter the room (along with the ICU Intensivist) – the other senior should be available w/ PPE readily available if needed to go in.
- 3.) If the Code Blue is in HLU, then ONLY the CCU Senior should enter the room (along with the CCU Fellow or Cardiologist).
- 4.) If the Code Blue is on the floors, then EITHER the AR2 or the ICU Senior should enter the room – whoever gets there first (along with the ICU Intensivist when they get there).
- 5.) Other residents responding to the code (interns or residents not on services covering that floor) should remain outside and gather as much information/assist if possible.
- 6.) If you are not the resident assigned to go in the room and you arrive first, gather as much information necessary to assist arriving teams (such as whether or not PPE is needed etc.) If the patient is being coded, bagged, or needing an airway, obtain equipment/PPE for them once they arrive. This is to limit exposure if they will be the ones managing the patient or transferring them over to begin with. Nursing should have already started emergent compressions/bagging in the meantime.
- 7.) Senior residents outside the room will delegate responsibilities including need to relieve personnel in the rooms as deemed necessary utilizing minimal resident resources if able. (i.e. don't send the entire crew in all at once)

As time goes on we'll continue to re-evaluate this as able.

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