### 0300 303 4147

Single Point of Access (SPOC) number for HCP use only, do not share with the public

# **Adult Critical Care Transfer Service**

Arranging an ambulance for a critical care patient transfer

Identify need to undertake a critical care transfer to another hospital

Receiving hospital contacted and patient accepted. Bed confirmed

If non-urgent, complete online referral form. SPOC will be in touch in working hours

For urgent and time critical request call

**Adult Critical Care Transfer SPOC:** 

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Discussed with SPOC.

Transfer passed to transfer ambulance in operating hours or emergency ambulance arranged

**Outside of operational hours** 

Time-critical requests redirected to HCP line

Complete online referral form through refer-a-patient

**SPOC** informs hospital of ETA.

Arrange transfer team and equipment to complete transfer if required

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#### Accessing the online referral form

To access refer-a-patient to send your transfer referral and patient details.

A log in or account with refer-a-patient in not required.

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To have a clinical discussion about a transfer request or to check availability of the team please contact the team on duty (10:30 – 23:00) **0300 303 4147\***\*Please note this number is for clinical staff to contact the Adult Critical Care Transfer Service ONLY.

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This opens the referral for referrals to ACCTS SE

National Adult Critical Care Transfer Service Network ACCTS (South East) Adult Critical Care Transfer Service Please review the whole form before starting. Press TAB to move to the next field What type of transfer referral is this? Escalation of care What is the patient's first name?" What is the patient's last name?" Unknown You may not know the first name so it's OK to enter a placeholder name e.g Foxtrol Date of Birth\* You may not know the date of birth so it's OK to enter 01/01/1900 Gender\* Medical record number\* Select NHS Number This can't be left blank. The NHS number is very helpful (we receive lots of referrals using name like Foxtrot Delta with a date of birth of 01/01/1900). If you don't know the NHS number enter Please include postcode and home telephone number

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#### What patient transfers are included?

All transfer requests must be for adult patients and non-time critical (i.e. suitable for a four hour response)

- → Escalations of care—to ICU/HDU
- → Referral to specialty services
- → Transfers of level 2/3 patients between facilities
- → Repatriation of patients from ICU to their home Trust (ICU-ICU or ICU-Ward)
- → Long distance road transfers

The service within Kent, Surrey & Sussex operates 10:00 to 22:00





- → Intensive Care Units
- → High Dependency Units
- → Emergency Departments
- → Operating Theatres
- → Wards
- → Speciality areas (gynae, renal, cardiac etc.)
- → Private Facilities (providing NHS care or referral to NHS ICU/HDU)

#### **Unsure?**

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### Types of critical care transfers and urgency

	Definition	Timescale	National Framework for Inter-Facility Transfers Category
Time critical	A patient requiring transfer to specialist care for immediate (within 1 hour of arrival) life, limb or sight-saving intervention	As soon as possible Arrival in receiving hospital within 4 hours of referral	IFT category 2
Urgent	A patient requiring transfer for ongoing time-sensitive management	Arrival in receiving hospital in 4 to 12 hours	IFT category 3 and some 4
Planned	A patient requiring transfer for elective intervention or ongoing care	Arrival in receiving hospital in12 to 48 hours	IFT category 4 and those outside the categorisation

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