### 0300 303 4147

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# **ARCC Transfer Service**

(Adult Regional 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 operational hours

For urgent and time critical request call ARCC Transfer Service SPOC 24/7: 0300 303 4147

Discussed with SPOC.

Transfer accepted or emergency ambulance arranged

Complete online referral form through refer-a-patient

Referring unit informed of ETA.

**Outside of operational hours** 

Time-critical requests redirected to HCP line

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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.

Visit website:

https://www.scas.nhs.uk/adult-critical-care-transfer-service/

Healthcare professional can access our **Referral Form** 



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.

National Adult Critical Care Transfer Service Network

This can't be left blank.The NHS number is very helpful (we receive lots of referrals using names like Foxtrot Delta with a date of birth of 01/01/1900). If you don't know the NHS number enter

referapatient

This opens the referral for referrals to

ARCC Transfer Service 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

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Non-Urgent

Select EMERGENCY for time critical referrals and NON-URGENT for planned referrals.

What is the patient's first name?\*

Unknown

Vou may not know the first name so it's OK to enter a placeholder name e.g Foxtrot.

Date of Birth\*

Age

O1

O1

1900

44

Automatically calculated.

Gender\*

Medical record number\*

Select

Medical record number\*

Please include postcode and home telephone numbe

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

The transfer service with Thames Valley & Wessex operates 10:30 to 23:00





- 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<br>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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