

Princess Alexandra Eye Pavilion Hospital

(PAEP)

**Cardiac Arrest/Medical Emergency Standardised Operational Procedure**

**1. Function**

To provide rapid specialised medical attention to any collapsed individual within PAEP Hospital Site.

**2. Location of resuscitation equipment and defibrillators**

**2.1** EOPD ground floor has a combined adult and basic paediatric resuscitation trolley, portable suction and a Mindray D1 AED defibrillator.

**2.2** E2 has basic adult resuscitation trolley, portable suction and a Mindray D1 AED.

**2.3** E3 has an adult resuscitation trolley, portable suction and a Mindray D1 AED.

**2.4** E4 has an adult resuscitation trolley, portable suction and a Mindray D1 AED.

**2.5** Theatres have an adult resuscitation trolley, portable suction and a Mindray D3 defibrillator. Intubation equipment will be carried by theatre and they have a portable grab bag if required. Paediatric equipment comes from the RHSC with medical and nursing staff for planned admissions.

**3. Operational System**

In the event of a medical emergency or cardiac arrest a call should be made to the Scottish Ambulance Service (SAS) on 9999.

A clear concise message should be given stating the nature of the emergency. Information should include Hospital, Department/Ward and Floor within the Princess Alexandra Eye Pavilion. Also remember to give the post code: **EH3 9HA**.

**4. Procedure**

**4.1** In the event of a cardiac arrest/medical emergency, a member of staff dials 9999. On connection with ambulance control the staff member states the nature of the emergency followed by the location within the PAEP building.

**4.2** In the event of a cardiac arrest basic life support (BLS) should be commenced immediately, defibrillator attached and treatment continued until ambulance arrival. In the event of a medical emergency monitoring should be attached (obs machine and/or ECG) immediately and treatment initiated and continued until ambulance arrival.

**4.3** Site of emergency needs to inform appropriate nurse in charge and relevant medic if available.

**4.4** For anaesthetic assistance (if available) contact theatre by phoning ext 63870/63871 during theatre hours.

**4.5** Out of hours SAS have buzzer access to ward (E2). At the weekend security can open the doors (they are based in Lauriston) and can be contacted on 63999.

**5. Bleep Failure**

In the event of bleep failure switchboard have procedures in place.

**6. Test Calls**

There is no emergency 2222 bleep test calls required on site due to cover being provided by a 9999 ambulance response.