



**Case Based
Learning**



Year 3 Case-based Learning 2024-25

Case 3 Part 2

Facilitator Materials



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STUDENT MATERIALS

Patient details

George Smyth survived his emergency surgery for ruptured AAA. She was recovering in HDU, but on day 6 developed chest pain and suffered an anterior STEMI. She proceeded to PCI and was transferred to CCU. The case starts with a CCU ward round 3 days later.

Coronary Care Unit Ward Round

Insert G.P.'s
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CLINICAL NOTES		ENTER		
		Full Name		
		Mr./Miss &	A:	:D
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		Hospital No.	E:	
		S.M. or W.	F:	
		Date of Birth	G:	
		Occupation	H:	
		In-Patient		
		Admn Date		
Age:	Sheet no.			
EACH ENTRY TO BE DATED AND SIGNED		Diagnosis		
8-12-12	0940	WK M Kelly 56 / D Lynch FI		
P3 Bst anterior STEMI				
-PCI x1 to LAD				
-Echo: Severe LV impairment				
-Commenced aspirin/ticagrelor				
BG Initially admitted with ruptured infrarenal AAA				
PG AAA repair 2 6/7 HRA postop				
PPM: Inf STEMI 2 PCI age 77				
Known to Heart failure team				
T2DM				
Current smoker				
HTN				
Remains in bed				
°Further chest pain since PCI				
°palpitations				
°presyncope/syncope				
°SOB				
O/E Alert, comfortable				
HSI +11+0				
Bibasal creps				
°signif lower limb oedema				
Telemetry reviewed - 2 short runs NSVT overnight + this am (8 + 10 beats)				
Cont. overload				

Text:

Patient Details: 399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

17 Oak Avenue BT41 4LH

8/12/22 09.40

WR M. Kelly ST6/ D. Lynch F1

Day 3 Post Anterior STEMI

- PCI x 1 to LAD
- Echocardiogram: Severe LV impairment
- Commenced on aspirin & ticagrelor

Initially admitted with ruptured infra renal AAA

Day 9 AAA repair with 6 days in HDU post-operatively

Other PMH: Inferior STEMI and PCI age 77, T2DM, HTN, known to heart failure team, current smoker

Remains in bed. No further chest pain since PCI. No palpitations. No pre-syncope or syncope. No SOB.

O/E- Alert, comfortable, HS I+II+0, Chest - bibasal creps, no significant lower limb oedema.

Telemetry reviewed- 2 short runs of NSVT (non-sustained ventricular tachycardia) overnight and this am (8 & 10 beats)

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8-12-22 Cont. WR Kelly/Lynch

Kardex - DAPT for ly then aspirin lifelong, bisoprolol 5mg, ramipril 10mg

Bloods - U&Es stable

Reviews by heart failure team + cardiac rehab noted - smoking cessation advice reinforced

Imp: NSVT - treatment indicated

P: Commence amiodarone

Continue cardiac monitoring for further arrhythmia

Repeat bloods today - Hb, PLT, U&Es, Mg, Bone

D Lynch FY1
7663321 #9912

Text:

Kardex - DAPT for 1 year then aspirin lifelong, bisoprolol 5mg, ramipril 10mg

Bloods – U&Es stable

Reviews by heart failure team and cardiac rehab noted – smoking cessation advice reinforced

Imp: NSVT – treatment indicated

Plan

Commence amiodarone

Continue cardiac monitoring for further arrhythmia

Repeat bloods today - monitor Hb, Plt, U&E, Mg, Bone

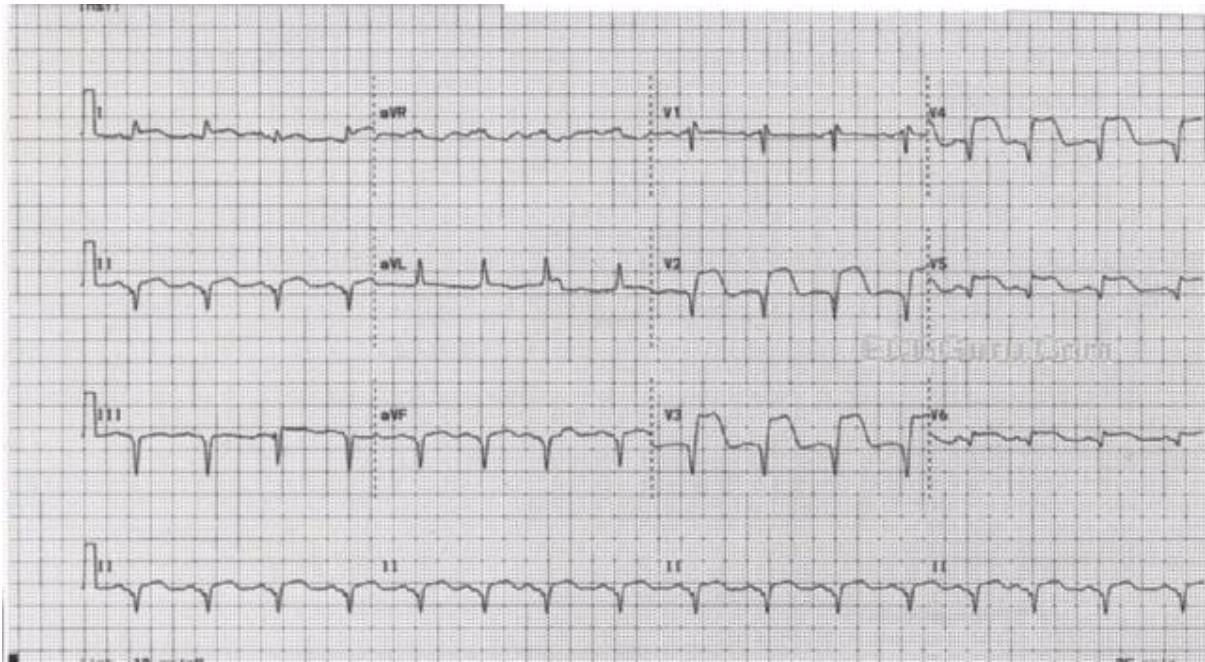
Signed D Lynch F1

Echocardiogram report

<u>Patient details:</u> 399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years) Address: 17 Oak Avenue, Antrim BT41 4LH	Date: 6/12/22 Time: 09:00 Location: Acute surg 2 Referrer: Mr McAdoo								
Indication: Day 1 post Anterior STEMI. Inferior STEMI 5y ago. Quality: Reasonable views obtained. Difficult parasternal window. Sinus rhythm throughout. Measurements: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>LVEDD: 64mm</td><td>LVEDD: 52 mm</td></tr> <tr> <td>Septum: 8 mm</td><td>Inferior wall: 6 mm</td></tr> <tr> <td>Left atrium: 52 mm</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Aortic valve max velocity 0.8 m/s</td><td>LVOT max velocity 0.6 m/s</td></tr> </table> Chambers/valves: Left ventricle: The left ventricle is significantly dilated. There is extensive akinesia of the inferior wall, the apex and much of the anterior and septal walls. The lateral wall contracts reasonably. Overall there is severe systolic dysfunction. LVEF is estimated by Simpson's rule in the range 15-20%. Right ventricle: The right ventricle is borderline dilated. Systolic function is low normal. Left atrium: The LA is mildly dilated. Right atrium: The right atrium is normal. Aortic valve: The aortic valve is tricuspid and opens reasonably. There is trivial aortic regurgitation. Mitral valve: There is some tethering of the mitral valve leaflets related to chamber dilatation. There is moderate central mitral regurgitation. Tricuspid valve: Trivial regurgitation. Pulmonary valve: Normal. Summary Extensive inferior and anteroseptal wall motion abnormalities with severe LV systolic dysfunction. There is moderate mitral regurgitation which appears to be predominantly functional.		LVEDD: 64mm	LVEDD: 52 mm	Septum: 8 mm	Inferior wall: 6 mm	Left atrium: 52 mm		Aortic valve max velocity 0.8 m/s	LVOT max velocity 0.6 m/s
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ECG

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)



The ECG shows ST segment elevation in leads V2-V6 in keeping with an anterior STEMI. The elevation extends slightly into lead I suggesting some lateral extension. There are Q waves already present suggesting necrosis/infarction is established. There are also Q waves without ST segment elevation in leads II, III and aVF suggesting an old established (non-acute) inferior infarction.

<https://www.ems1.com/cardiac-care/articles/12-lead-ecg-case-a-tale-of-too-many-q-waves-kZIK377opGvp4PnB/>

Cardiology Ward Round: 3 weeks later

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CLINICAL NOTES		ENTER		
		Full Name	George Smyth	
		A Mr/Miss &	A:	:D
		B Address	3990050001	
		C Consultant &	B:	:E & F
		Ward/Clinic	Age 82	
		Hospital No.		:G
		S.M. or W.		
		Date of Birth		:H
		Occupation		
		In-Patient		
		Admn Date		
Age:	Sheet no.			
EACH ENTRY TO BE DATED AND SIGNED		Diagnosis		
29/12/22 WR McDavid (cons) / E Cassidy ST4 / J. Foster IMT /				
09-10				
B2				
b/c Admitted 29/11/22 - ruptured AAA - emergency repair				
Ant STEMI 5/12/22 - PCI				
Echo 6/12/22 - HFrEF (EF 20%)				
General decline during admission				
Remains bedbound				
SBIE reported				
Uncomfortable @ rest				
o CP 'pulp'				
Sleep poor				
O/E RA 20, SpO ₂ 98% 2L, ML 15, BP 92/54, Temp 36.5°C				
TJVP				
Chest - bilateral crep S				
Abd - mild distension				
Legs - bilateral oedema				
EKG - nil acute				
Invited patient to discuss ceiling of care. Patient requested presence of NOK - invited this afternoon for meeting. i Spk				
Impression:				

Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

29/12/22 WR McDaid (Cons)/E. Cassidy ST4/J. Foster IMT1

B/G

Admitted 29/11/22 c Ruptured AAA - emergency repair

Anterior STEMI 5/12 – PCI

Echo 6/12 - HFrEF (EF 20%)

General decline during admission

Remains bedbound. SOBOE reported. Comfortable at rest. No chest pain or palpitations. Sleep poor.

O/E RR: 20 SaO2: 96% 2litre Pulse: 65 BP: 92/54 Temp. 36.5°C

Raised JVP

Chest – bibasal creps

Abdomen – mild distension

Bilateral leg oedema

ECG – nil acute

Invited patient to discuss ceilings of care. Patient requested presence of next of kin – invited this afternoon for meeting with SpR.

Impression:

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Cont: Plan: Daily bloods
Strict input/output
FR 1000ml
↑ Furosemide to 80mg IVBD
May require inotropes (likely ceiling)
Dr Cassidy to meet patient + family this
pm re. ceilings of care

J. Foster MDT/
1778892

Text:

Plan:

Daily bloods

Strict input/output

FR 1000ml

Increase furosemide to 80mg IV BD

May require inotropes (likely ceiling)

Dr Cassidy to meet patient and family this pm re ceilings of care

Signed J Foster IMT1 7778892

Fluid balance chart

[illegible]

Text:

Name: 399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Consultant: Dr McDaid

Ward: Cardio

Daily fluid balance and prescription chart 28/12/22

Input 1200ml (oral)

Output 500ml (catheter)

Balance +700ml

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ADULT

Write in CAPITAL LETTERS or use addressograph

Surname: Smyth

First names: George

Consultant: Dr McDaid Ward: Cardio

Hospital no: _____ DOB: Age 82

Health and Care no: 399 005 0001

Recent Weight _____ kg

Weighted ☐ / /

Estimated ☐

FLUID PRESCRIPTION ADVICE FOR ADULTS*

Fluid therapy should involve the consideration of:-

- **RESUSCITATION** = B Fluid bolus volume for hypovolaemic shock.
- **ROUTINE MAINTENANCE** = B Varies with clinical state.
- **REPLACEMENT** = Correction of any obvious fluid deficit. B and ongoing losses = C (e.g. vomiting, drainage, insensible, diarrhoea).
- **REDISTRIBUTION** - Patients with sepsis, severe renal, liver or cardiac disease, malnutrition, reflecting issues or post-operative.
- **REASSESSMENT** - include clinical assessments & glucose and U&E at least 24 hourly.
- Use the oral or enteral route whenever possible for giving fluids.
- Daily insensible loss = 500 - 800 ml.

Types of Fluid

Sodium chloride 0.9% provides the most important extracellular ions. It is indicated when **RESUSCITATION** by a fluid bolus is needed for shock and in sodium depletion. The administration of large volumes may give rise to sodium accumulation, oedema, and hyperchloraemic acidosis. Compound sodium lactate (Hartmann's solution) contains 5 mmol/L of potassium and can be used instead of isotonic sodium chloride solution during or after surgery, or in the initial management of the injured or wounded. It may reduce the risk of hyperchloraemic acidosis. 5% glucose (dextrose) is an important source of free water for maintenance, but should be used with caution as excessive amounts may cause dangerous hyponatraemia, especially in the elderly.

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE fluids replace the normal fluid content of oral food intake, insensible loss & urinary output and are prescribed to provide optimal hydration in patients unable to fully use the oral or enteral route. Maintenance fluids should take into account the volume of fluid to deliver IV medications (antibiotics, analgesics). The total (oral, IV drugs and prescribed fluids) volume prescribed in healthy adults (without excess fluid losses) should be of the order of 30 ml/kg/day up to a maximum of 3.5L. Consider prescribing less fluid (e.g. 20-25 ml/kg/day) for patients who are older, frail, have renal impairment or cardiac failure. Consider using ideal body weight for obese patients.

Sodium requirement - 1 to 2 mmol/kg/day, so it is rarely necessary to give more than 1 litre of sodium chloride 0.9% or Hartmann's solution per day for maintenance IV fluids. Analgesic and antibiotic infusions may already provide some of this.

Potassium requirement - 1 mmol/kg/day, adjusted according to the serum potassium.

Phosphate, Magnesium - monitor & correct.

Many patients have specific needs to cover **REPLACEMENT** and/or **REDISTRIBUTION** of fluid and electrolytes.

REPLACEMENT of deficits & ongoing losses - prescription should reflect the electrolyte composition of the fluid being lost.

Gastric losses - replace volume for volume with sodium chloride 0.9% with added potassium as required.

Lower Gastrointestinal losses - replace with Hartmann's solution or, if extra potassium is needed, sodium chloride 0.9% with added potassium.

Some patients have problems of internal **REDISTRIBUTION** and may develop sodium and water excess (leading to oedema and weight gain) which frequently can occur in the context of a low intravascular volume (and associated low urine output). Prescribing appropriate IV fluids for patients with redistributive type problems is particularly difficult since too little leads to intravascular hypovolaemia, low blood pressure, poor urine output and poor tissue perfusion, whilst too much may promote more oedema. In these patient groups, formula-based equations should be used with caution. Fluid restriction may be needed and should be guided by senior input and regular **REASSESSMENT**.

Senior help should always be sought for complex on-going fluid losses, when the balance between fluid overload and deficit is unclear; for complex redistribution issues and especially when patients have diminished organ reserve.

*Based on NICE CG174

Yesterday's Date	Grand total in	Grand total out	Balance
27/12/22	1200ml	700ml	+500ml

Solution	Composition of common intravenous solutions (mmol/L)				
	[Na ⁺]	[Cl ⁻]	[Glucose]	[Lactate]	[K ⁺]
5% Glucose (Dextrose)	0	0	278	-	-
0.45% Sodium Chloride	77	77	0	-	-
0.45% Sodium Chloride + 5% Glucose (Dextrose)	77	77	278	-	-
0.9% Sodium Chloride	154	154	0	-	-
Compound Sodium Lactate - Hartmann's solution	131	111	0	29	5
Plasma substitutes: gelatin, dextranised starches	140 - 154	118 - 154	0	0 - 30	0 - 5
Plasma	135 - 145	95 - 108	3.5 - 7.0	0.4 - 2.2	3.5 - 5.0

Indications - all that apply: ☐ Fluid ☐ Bolus volume, ☐ Deficit, ☐ On-going loss volume, ☐ Maintenance, ☐ Drug ☐ Prescription

* Medicines must be recorded in Drug Kardex

** Model name, Serial number.

↓	Date	Time	Volume	Infusion Fluid/Type	Additives *	Rate ml/hour Range	Prescriber's Signature	Administered By	Checked By	Batch/Lot No. & Expiry Date	Pump Details **	Start Time	Finish Time	Volume given
				a										
				b										
				c										
				d										
				e										
				f										
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				j										

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LPC 20/10/21

Text:

Name: 399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Consultant: Dr McDaid

Ward: Cardio

Yesterday's date 27/12/22, Grand total in 1200ml, Grand total out 700ml, Balance +500ml

No intravenous fluids prescribed

Foundation doctor review

CLINICAL NOTES		ENTER			
		Full Name			
		Mr /s/ Miss &		A:	
		Address		B:	
		Consultant &		C:	
		Ward/Clinic			
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		S.M. or W.			
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		Occupation			
		In-Patient			
		Admn Date			
Age:	Sheet no.				
EACH ENTRY TO BE DATED AND SIGNED		Diagnosis			
29/12/22		G. Thirumal FI			
13.20		ATSP re increased RR / ↓ sats			
		B/G anterior STEMI - PCI			
		HFrEF			
		AAA repair			
		general decline			
		tre fluid balance			
		A - Patent			
		B - RR 32 SaO2 84% 4L -NRB applied			
		widespread bilateral fine crepitations			
		C - HR 66 BP 70/44, CRT 45, ECG nil acute			
		D - GCS 15/15, BM 7-8			
		E - Temp 35.6			
		Bloods today - AKI TK 6.7			
		Problem list:			
		Ddx :			
		Plan :			
		G. Thirumal FI			
		7923288			

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Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

29/12/22 13.20 G Thirumal F1

ATSP re increased RR/reduced sats

B/G Anterior STEMI – PCI

HFrEF

AAA repair

General decline

Positive fluid balance

A – Patent

B – RR 32, Sao2 84% on 4litres – NRB applied, chest examination – widespread bilateral fine crepitations

C – Pulse 66, BP 70/44, CRT 4s, ECG – nil acute change

D – GCS 15/15, BM 7.8

E – Temp 35.6

Bloods today – AKI, hyperK 6.7

Problem list:

Differential diagnosis:

Plan:

Signed G Thirumal F1 7923288

NEWS Observation chart

HSC Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
caring supporting improving together

Special instructions

Use addressograph - otherwise write in capitals
Surname: Smyth
First names: George
DOB: Age 82
Health and Care No. 399 005 0001

Observation Chart for the National Early Warning Score (NEWS 2)

NEWS key	Date	Time	NEWS key	Date	Time
A+B Respirations Breaths/min	21/12/12	0900	A+B Respirations Breaths/min	21/12/12	1315
≥25			≥25		
21-24	24		21-24		
18-20	20		18-20		
15-17			15-17		
12-14			12-14		
9-11			9-11		
≤8			≤8		
A+B SpO ₂ Scale 1 Oxygen saturation (%)	21/12/12	0900	A+B SpO ₂ Scale 1 Oxygen saturation (%)	21/12/12	1315
≥96	96	96	≥96		
94-95			94-95		
92-93			92-93		
≤91	88	84	≤91		
SpO₂ Scale 2[†] Oxygen saturation (%)	21/12/12	0900	SpO₂ Scale 2[†] Oxygen saturation (%)	21/12/12	1315
≥97 on O ₂			≥97 on O ₂		
95-96 on O ₂			95-96 on O ₂		
93-94 on O ₂			93-94 on O ₂		
≥93 on air			≥93 on air		
88-92			88-92		
86-87			86-87		
84-85			84-85		
≤83%			≤83%		
Air or oxygen?	21/12/12	0900	Air or oxygen?	21/12/12	1315
A=Air			A=Air		
O ₂ L/min	2L	4L	O ₂ L/min		
Device	N	N	Device		
≥220			≥220		
201-219			201-219		
181-200			181-200		
161-180			161-180		
141-160			141-160		
121-140			121-140		
111-120			111-120		
101-110			101-110		
91-100	92	91	91-100		
81-90			81-90		
71-80			71-80		
61-70			61-70		
51-60			51-60		
≤50	52	52	≤50		
≥131			≥131		
121-130			121-130		
111-120			111-120		
101-110			101-110		
91-100			91-100		
81-90			81-90		
71-80			71-80		
61-70	65	65	61-70		
51-60			51-60		
41-50			41-50		
31-40			31-40		
≤30			≤30		
D Consciousness	21/12/12	0900	D Consciousness	21/12/12	1315
Alert	A	A	Alert		
Confusion			Confusion		
V			V		
P			P		
U			U		
E Temperature °C	21/12/12	0900	E Temperature °C	21/12/12	1315
≥39.1°			≥39.1°		
38.1-39.0°			38.1-39.0°		
37.1-38.0°			37.1-38.0°		
36.1-37.0°	36.5	36.1	36.1-37.0°		
35.1-36.0°			35.1-36.0°		
≤35.0°			≤35.0°		
Blood Sugar	6.5	5.1	Blood Sugar		
NEWS Total	4	6	NEWS Total		
Monitoring frequency	4 ^h	1 ^h	Monitoring frequency		
Escalation of care Y/N	N	Y	Escalation of care Y/N		
Pain score (0-10)			Pain score (0-10)		
Nausea score (0-3)			Nausea score (0-3)		
Pulse check (L)			Pulse check (L)		
Pulse check (R)			Pulse check (R)		
Initials	AT	AT	Initials		
Observation frequency	4 ^h	1 ^h	Observation frequency		

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15/09/09 10/00/09 Revised Feb 09

Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Consultant Dr McDaid, Cardiology

29/12

0800 RR 20 /min. pulse 65/min BP 92/52. Sao2 96% on 2l. Temp 36.5. Alert. NEWS 4

1200 RR 24 /min. pulse 65/min BP 91/52. Sao2 96% on 4l. Temp 36.1. Alert. NEWS 6

1300 RR 28 /min. pulse 69/min BP 80/47. Sao2 88% on 4l. Temp 35.9. Alert. NEWS 12

1330 RR 32/min pulse 66/min BP 70/34. Sao2 84% on 4l. Temp 35.6. Voice. NEWS 15

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Clinical Response to NEWS Triggers		
NEWS score	Frequency of monitoring	Clinical response (Variance with response must be documented)
0	Minimum 12 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue routine NEWS with every set of observations.
Total: 1-2	Minimum 6 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform registered nurse who must assess the patient
Total: 3-4	Minimum 4 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registered nurse to decide if increased frequency of monitoring and/or escalation of clinical care is required. <p>NEWS of 4 or more? THINK SEPSIS</p>
3 in 1 parameter		Inform CCOT (on RVH site only) 0 ²
Total: 5 or more	Increased frequency to a minimum of 1 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registered nurse to urgently inform the medical team caring for the patient (and Critical Care Outreach Team (CCOT) on RVH site only) Urgent assessment by medical team caring for the patient Check for other adverse signs eg. Oliguria Consider fluid balance chart. <p>NEWS of 4 or more? THINK SEPSIS</p>
Total: 7 or more	Continuous monitoring of vital signs Minimum of half hourly recording	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registered nurse to immediately inform the medical team caring for the patient - at least Specialist Registrar or above (and CCOT on RVH site only) Immediate response required (if peri-arrest call 6666). <p>NEWS of 4 or more? THINK SEPSIS</p>
Call medical team caring for the patient if you have any concerns about the patient regardless of the NEWS score		

Pain score	Nausea score
0-----10	0 = No nausea
0 = No pain	1 = Mild nausea
10 = Worst imaginable	2 = Severe nausea
	3 = Vomiting

Sepsis Screening Tool

Are any two of the following SIRS* criteria present?

- Temperature: <36 or >38.3°C
- Respiratory rate: >20/min
- Heart rate: >90 bpm
- WCC >12 or <4 x10⁹/L

If YES patient has SIRS

Does your patient also have a history or signs suggestive of a new infection?

For example:

- Cough/sputum/chest pain
- Abdo pain/distension/diarrhoea
- Line infection
- Cellulitis/wound infection/septic arthritis
- Dysuria
- Headache with neck stiffness
- Endocarditis

If YES patient has SIRS

Treat for SEPSIS
Sepsis six bundle within one hour

- Highflow O₂
- IV fluids
- Blood cultures
- Lactate
- IV antibiotics
- Urine output

Reassess for severe SEPSIS; any signs of organ dysfunction

For example:

- Hypotension
- Unexplained coagulopathy
- High Lactate
- Renal dysfunction
- Unexplained altered mental state

If YES: patient has severe sepsis

*SIRS = Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome

Guidance on administering oxygen therapy Nurses: Sign this prescription chart on every drug round. Record flow rate and device (FR/D) at each drug round using the codes. Oxygen saturations should be recorded on the patient's observation chart.			
A Air (not requiring O ₂ , weaning or on PRN O ₂)	CP Patient on CPAP system	SM Simple mask	If a ward patient is requiring high flow oxygen via non rebreathe mask, consider medical review. If target saturations are 88-92%, nebulised drugs should not be driven by oxygen (unless specified by the doctor).
V24 Venturi 24% (change figure as appropriate for % in use)	NIV Patient on NIV system	RM Reservoir mask	
N Nasal cannulae (eg. 2 litres via nasal specs, prescribe as '2L/N')	OTH Other device (specify)	TM Tracheostomy mask	
H28 Humidified oxygen at 28% (change figure as appropriate for percentage in use)	HFNO (High Flow Nasal Oxygen)		

Text:

Clinical Response to NEWS Triggers

NEWS score

0

Frequency of monitoring Minimum 12 hourly

Clinical response (Variance with response must be documented)

Continue routine NEWS monitoring with every set of observations.

Total: 1 – 2

Total: 3-4

Frequency of monitoring Minimum 6 hourly

Minimum 4 hourly

Clinical response Inform registered nurse who must assess the patient

Registered nurse to decide if increased frequency of monitoring and/or escalation of clinical care is required.

NEWS of 4 or more? THINK SEPSIS

Total: 3 in one parameter

Total: 5 or more

Frequency of monitoring – Increased frequency to a minimum of 1 hourly

Clinical response Registered nurse to urgently inform the medical team caring for the patient (and Critical Care Outreach Team (CCOT) on RVH site only)

Urgent assessment by medical team caring for the patient

Check for other adverse signs eg. Oliguria

Consider fluid balance chart.

NEWS of 4 or more? THINK SEPSIS

Total: 7 or more

Frequency of monitoring Continuous monitoring of vital signs, Minimum of half hourly recording

Clinical response Registered nurse to immediately inform the medical team caring for the patient — at least Specialist Registrar or above (and CCOT on RVH site only)

Immediate response required (if peri-arrest call 6666).

NEWS of 4 or more? THINK SEPSIS

Call medical team caring for the patient if you have any concerns about the patient regardless of the NEWS score

Sepsis Screening Tool

Are any two of the following SIRS* criteria present? Respiratory rate: >20/min, Temperature: <36 or >38.30C, Heart rate: >90 bpm, WCC or <4x10⁹/L

If YES patient has SIRS

Does your patient also have a history or signs suggestive of a new infection?

For example: Cough/sputum/chest pain, Abdo pain/distension/diarrhoea, Line infection, Cellulitis/wound infection/septic, arthritis, Dysuria, headache with neck stiffness, Endocarditis

If YES patient has SEPSIS

Treat for SEPSIS

Sepsis six bundle within one hour

Highflow O₂, Blood cultures, IV antibiotics, IV fluids, Lactate, Urine output

Reassess for severe SEPSIS; any signs of organ dysfunction

For example: Hypotension, Unexplained coagulopathy, High Lactate, Renal dysfunction, Unexplained altered mental state

If YES: patient has severe sepsis

Pain score

0 = No pain, 10 = Worst imaginable

Nausea score

0 = No nausea, 1 = Mild nausea, 2 = Severe nausea, 3 = Vomiting

*SIRS = Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome

Guidance on administering oxygen therapy Nurses: Sign this prescription chart on every drug round. Record flow rate and device at each drug round using the codes. Oxygen saturations should be recorded on the patient's observation cart.

A Air, CP CPAP system, SM Simple Mask, V24 Venturi 24% (change figure for % use), NIV NIVE system, RM Reservoir mask, N Nasal cannulae, OTH Other, TM Tracheostomy mask, H28 Humidified oxygen 28% (change figure as appropriate), HFNO (High Flow Nasal Oxygen)

If a ward patient is requiring high flow oxygen via non rebreathe mask, consider medical review.

If target saturations are 88-92%, nebulised drugs should not be driven by oxygen (unless specified by the doctor).

Case 3 Part 2 Facilitator Materials

Investigations

Blood work

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Complete Blood Count


Number	1	Ref. Range (Units)
Collected	29-Dec 2022 09:30	
Signed		
Source	BHSCT	
HGB	115	115-165 (g/L)
HCT	0.40	0.37-0.47 (L/L)
WBC	*10.1	4.0-10.0 ($\times 10^9/L$)
PLT	155	150-450 ($\times 10^9/L$)
RBC	4.9	3.8-5.8 ($\times 10^{12}/L$)
MCV	76	76-100 (fL)
MCHC	320	320-360 (g/L)
MCH	27	27-32 (pg)
NEUT	*7.6	2.0-7.5 ($\times 10^9/L$)
LYMPH	3.5	1.0-3.5 ($\times 10^9/L$)
MONO	0.6	0.2-0.8 ($\times 10^9/L$)
EOSIN	0.3	0.04-0.4 ($\times 10^9/L$)
BASO	0.09	0.01-0.1 ($\times 10^9/L$)

* Denotes abnormal result


Electrolyte Profile

Number	2	1	Ref. Range (Units)
Collected	29-Nov 2022 14:37	29-Dec 2022 09:30	
Signed			
Source	NHSCT	BHSCT	
Sodium	139	141	136-145 (mmol/L)
Potassium	3.9	* 6.7	3.5-5.3 (mmol/L)
Chloride	96	99	95-108 (mmol/L)
CO2	23	12	22-29 (mmol/L)
Urea	3.1	* 21.7	2.5-7.8 (mmol/L)
Creatinine	55	* 469	45-84 ($\mu\text{mol}/L$)
eGFR	>60	* 7	<60 (mL/min/1.73m ²)


Liver Profile

Number	1	Ref. Range (Units)
Collected	29-Dec 2022 09:30	
Signed		
Source	BHSCT	
T. Bilirubin	11	
ALP	119	<21 (μmol/L)
AST	*77	30-130 (U/L)
GGT	42	<32 (U/L)
ALT	*62	6-42 (U/L)
Albumin	*24	<33 (U/L)
		35-50 mg/L

CRP

Number	1	Ref. Range (Units)
Collected	29-Dec 2022 09:30	
Signed		
Source	BHSCT	
C reactive protein (CRP)	*137	
		<5 (mg/L)

NT pro-BNP


Number	1	Ref. Range (Units)
Collected	29-Dec 2022 09:30	
Signed		
Source	BHSCT	
NT pro-BNP	*5178	
		5-349 (pg/mL)

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ABG

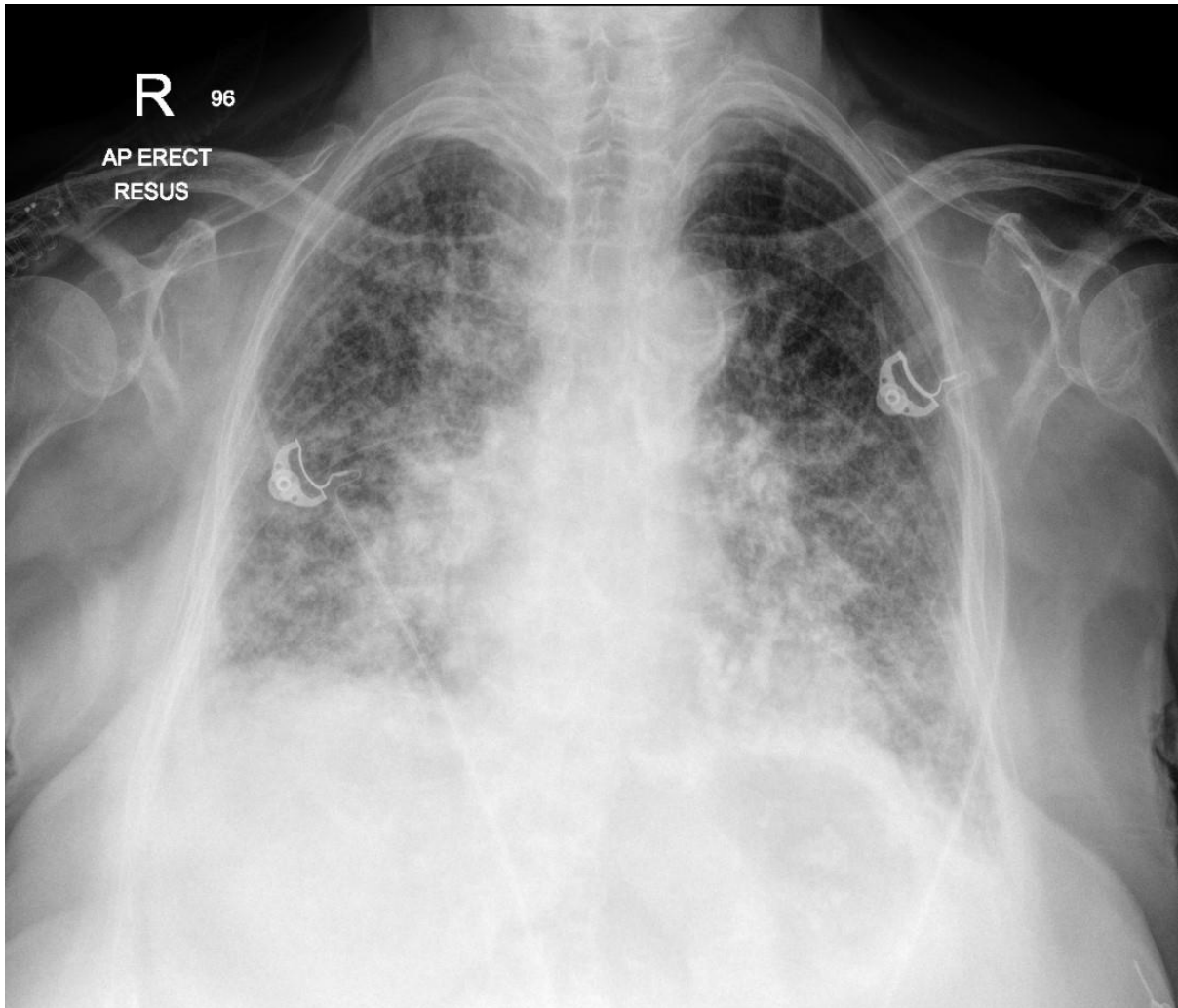
399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

ABG on 4I NC

Number	1	Ref. Range (Units)
Collected	14-Oct 2022 15:00	
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Source	BHSCT	
Sample type	Blood	
Blood type	Arterial	
Temperature	37.0°C	
FiO ₂	32%	
pH	*7.28	7.350-7.450
pCO ₂	*4.11	4.30-6.40 (kPa)
pO ₂	*7.5	11.00-14.40 (kPa)
Na ⁺	139	133.0-146.0 (mmol/L)
K ⁺	*6.8	3.50-4.50 (mmol/L)
Cl ⁻	*89	95.0-108.0 (mmol/L)
Ca ²⁺	1.35	1.150-1.350 (mmol/L)
Glu	4.9	4.0-7.7 (mmol/L)
Lac	*2.5	1.0-1.4 (mmol/L)
tHb	*111	115.0-180.0 (g/L)
Hct	*0.34	0.370-0.540 (%)
SO ₂	*84	94.0-98.0 (%)
BE	*-3.2	-2 - +3 (mmol/L)
cHCO ₃	*18.3	22.0-29.0 (mmol/L)

Chest X-ray

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)



ADDITIONAL FACILITATOR MATERIALS

Specialty Trainee review

Insert G.P.'s Name and Address if not included on request letter or admission form

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BELFAST, BT12 6BA

Form No
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(R 57)

CLINICAL NOTES		ENTER		
Age:	Sheet no.	Full Name	A:	:D
EACH ENTRY TO BE DATED AND SIGNED		Mr./Miss &	B:	:E & F
		Address	C:	:H
		Consultant &		
		Ward/Clinic		
		Hospital No.		
		S.M. or W.		
		Date of Birth		
		Occupation		
		In-Patient		
		Admn Date		
29/12/22	E. Cassidy ST4	George Smyth		
13.40	ATSP re. NEWS ID	Age 82		
(82)		399 005 0001		
B/G	Anterior STEMI - PCI	17 Oak Ave, Antrim, BT41 4LM		
	HFrEF			
	Repaired AAA			
	General decline			
	C/O SOB Denies chest pain. Disorientated. Looks distressed.			
	A - Patent			
	B - RR 32, SpO ₂ 92% on 95% O ₂ NRB			
	(X X X X) (X X X X) Bilateral creps to upper zones			
	ABG - TIRF, metabolic acidosis			
	CXR - Fluid overload			
	C - Pulse 68 (beta blocked), regular			
	BP 78/40, CRT 2s, JVP +5cm			
	HS 1 + II + SM			
	Bilateral pitting oedema to thighs			
	Fluid balance: +700ml past 24h			
	ECG - nil new ischaemic change			
	D - Drowsy	PERLA		
	E4V4M6 - GCS 13	BM 6.9		

Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Address: 17 Oak Avenue, Antrim BT41 4LH

29/12/22 13.40 E. Cassidy ST4

ATSP re. NEWS 10

B/G Anterior STEMI – PCI; HFrEF; Repaired AAA; General decline

C/O SOB. Denies chest pain. Disorientated. Looks distressed.

A – Patent

B – RR 32, Sao2 92% on 95% O2 NRB, chest examination - bilateral crepitations to upper zones

ABG – Type 1 RF, metabolic acidosis

CXR – fluid overload

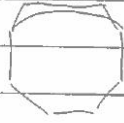
C – pulse 68(beta blocked), regular, BP 78/40, CRT 2s, HS 1+2+SM, JVP +5cm, bilateral oedema to thighs,

Past 24h +700ml balance

ECG –nil new ischaemic change.

D – Drowsy, E4V4M6 – GCS 13, PERLA, BM 6.9

Cont. E - temp 35.8°C
29/12/22



Fluid distension, non-tense

Catheter in situ - 20ml clear urine in bag today

Labs/

U+Es - AKI, hyperK

Imp: Fluid overload

AKI \bar{c} acidosis

HyperK

B/G deteriorating patient \bar{c} poor baseline

Time likely short

Plan: Repeat U+Es

D/W renal ? dialysis candidate

D/W ICU

? Trial CPAP for WDB

? Trial inotropes

D/W NOK - contact to attend ward asap

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Text:

29/12/22 Cont.

E – temp 35.8

Abdomen exam – fluid distension

Catheter in situ – 20ml in bag today

Bloods – AKI, hyperK

Impression: Fluid overload

AKI with acidosis

Hyperkalaemia

Background deteriorating patient with poor baseline

Time likely short

Plan: Repeat U&Es

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D/W ICU

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?Trial inotropes

D/W NOK –contact to attend ward asap

Signed E. Cassidy ST4 7596759

Ceilings of care discussions

Insert G.P.'s Name and Address if not included on request letter or admission form

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Age:	Sheet no.	A	B	A:	:D
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EACH ENTRY TO BE DATED AND SIGNED		Diagnosis			
29/12/22	F Cassidy ST4				
14.10	P/W renal SpR on call				
	Hx relayed. Advised combination of cardiac failure + dialysis dependent AKI prognostically very bad.				
	Dialysis would likely prolong dying.				
	Advised dialysis not in best interests.				
	P/W ICU SHD on call				
	Hx relayed + d/w consultant (Dr Cherry).				
	Recommended ward ceiling of care in best interests.				
	Patient not for escalation to ICU.				
	Patient too unwell for discussion about ceilings of care.				
	Previously happy for NOK to be kept informed.				
	Patient's niece Laura (NOK) attended ward. Advised really worried about George. Discussed pre-morbid baseline - confirmed home had been a struggle, mobilised for short distances only, requiring more assistance prior to adm. Laura has seen him become less well throughout adm. and has been told several times George has been so sick he could die.				
	Updated Laura that George has become less well again this afternoon, with trouble breathing + kidneys not working well. Advised we worry time could be short. Asked if George had ever talked about how he would like to be looked after if time was short - Laura				

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Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

29/12/22 14.10 E. Cassidy ST4

SpR continued

D/W renal SpR on call. History relayed. Advised combination of cardiac failure and dialysis dependent AKI prognostically very bad. Dialysis would likely prolong dying. Advised not in best interests.

D/W ICU SHO on call. History relayed and d/w ICU consultant (Dr Cherry). Recommended ward ceiling of care in best interests. Patient not for escalation to ICU.

Patient too unwell for discussion about ceilings of care. Previously happy for NOK to be kept informed.

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Cont. 29/12/22

advised George always said he wanted to be kept comfortable as a priority. I explained we felt we could best look after him if we kept him comfortable on the ward.

Advised we d/w ICH + kidney doctors + they agreed that interventions like ventilation + dialysis would not likely be helpful + would not be in his best interests.

Discussed CPR - advised worried if his heart stops beating, he is so frail, we would unlikely be able to restart it, so we should best look after him by keeping him comfortable instead. Family in agreement.

All qs answered. Support provided.

Dr McDaid updated - in agreement with plan

HACP + DNACPR forms completed

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Text:

Cont. 29/12/22

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HACP and DNACPR forms completed.

Signed E Cassidy ST4 7596759

Hospital Anticipatory Care Plan



Hospital Anticipatory Care Plan (HACP)

Please keep at the front of the Patient Record

H&C no	399 005 0001
First name	GEORGE
Last name	SMYTH
Sex	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
Address	17 OAK AVE ANTRIM BT41 4LH

TREATMENT ESCALATION / LIMITATION, SUITABLE AT THE POINT OF ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL

The Hospital ACP is indicated when one or more of the following applies:

- The patient is unstable with the possibility of deterioration.
- He/she has severe frailty / is completely dependent for ADLs / has progressive / end stage organ failure / multiple co-morbidities / advanced cancer.
- He / she has specific wishes regarding medical of interventions.
- Treatment limitation in the event of a crisis / deterioration would be in the patient's best interests and would avoid harm.

Does the patient have Capacity to discuss acute care?

YES ☐ NO ☒

Discuss with next of kin or important others and document accordingly

Are any of the following active or already in place?

Community ACP Summary ☐

Previous HACP (if known) ☐

Advance decision to refuse treatment ☐

If so, refer to it before completing this Care Plan

Discussions should take place between patient, medical team and those important to the patient. Decisions can be taken by specialty trainees in conjunction with consultants.

If the patient is unable, for clinical reasons, to be involved in the discussion, decisions should be made in the patient's best interests by the consultant and informed by those important to the patient.

GOALS OF CARE It is often helpful to write down the treatment aims in your own words:

Poor baseline, deterioration during long admission - repeat insult.
Very poor prognosis. D/W renal - not for dialysis. D/W ICU - not a candidate. Comfort a priority.

FOR FULL ESCALATION, INCLUDING CPR

DO NOT ATTEMPT CPR ☒

ESCALATE / LIMIT TREATMENTS using options below ☒

Standard ward-based care * ☐

HDU level of care and possibility of NIV, CPAP, inotropes, etc. ☐

Consider ITU referral and possible mechanical ventilation ☐

Forend of life care. Symptomatic and comfort measures only ☒

*Specific investigations, interventions or treatments which are considered appropriate or inappropriate e.g. IV fluids / antibiotics, surgical procedure, transfer for imaging:

APPROPRIATE Comfort only
INAPPROPRIATE

Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Address: 17 Oak Avenue, Antrim BT41 4LH

Does the patient have capacity to discuss acute care? No – too unwell

Goals of care – Poor baseline, deterioration during long admission with repeat insult, very poor prognosis. Discussed with renal – not for dialysis. Discussed with ICU – not a candidate. Comfort a priority.

Do not attempt CPR

Escalate/limit treatments using options below – for end of life care, symptomatic and comfort measures only

Appropriate – comfort only

Case 3 Part 2 Facilitator Materials

Person completing this document

Signature: E. Cassidy Print in Capitals: E. Cassidy ✓

Position: ST4 Cardiology Date: 29/12/22

Discussed with:

Patient only ☐ Patient plus relative/other ☐ Relative/other only ☒

If not discussed with patient annotate reason: Too unwell for discussion

Names of relatives/other: Laura Forbes

Authorised by (consultant responsible): AM'DAID Initials and date: AM'D 29-12-22

(To be authorised within 24hrs of completion)

Date of commencing this HACP 29/12/22

This HACP is NEW UPDATE on a previous HACP (please circle)

Guidance Notes

1. This HACP is a record of communication with the patient/significant others and aims to provide continuity of care.
2. A standard DNACPR form should be completed if the patient is not for attempted CPR.
3. An HACP should be completed prior to making an ICU referral.
4. Ensure ongoing discussion with patient (if appropriate) and with family/significant other regarding management and prognosis.
5. The HACP should be reviewed regularly during an admission. Do not make multiple entries on to a HACP - replace the existing one with an updated HACP.
6. **The plan only applies to the current admission.** At the time of any subsequent admission a new HACP should be completed. All old HACPs should have CANCELLED written across them in block capitals with date and initials.
7. If/ when the patient is discharged HACP decisions should be referenced in the discharge summary and communicated to the GP. If possible, the information should be recorded in the Key Information Summary. Where appropriate, a copy of the HACP may be provided to the patient / GP for information.
8. It may be appropriate for team/GP to discuss ACP/ADRT with the patient following discharge.
9. When a patient is discharged please refer patient to the DN using the referral guidance on the palliative care hub, if appropriate.
10. During admission, a patient is identified as dying please use the hospital end of life guidance.
11. If patient has uncontrolled symptoms and/or distress please consider referral to the Hospital Specialist Palliative Care Team.

Text:

Signed by E Cassidy, print E. Cassidy ST4, 29/12/22

Discussed with relative/other only

If not discussed with patient annotate reason: Too unwell for discussion

Names of relatives/other: Laura Forbes, niece

Authorised by A McDaid Consultant

Date of commencing this HACP: 29/12/22

This HACP is NEW

Guidance Notes

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DNACPR form

Do Not Attempt Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation**For adults aged 18 years and over****Use addressograph - otherwise write in capitals**

Surname: SMYTH
 First names: GEORGE
 Consultant: DR McDAID Ward: CARDIO
 Hospital no: 349 005 0001
 DOB: Age 82 **check identity**

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 Social Care Trust
 caring supporting improving together

Date of DNACPR order: 29/12/22**DO NOT PHOTOCOPY**

In the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest no attempts at cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) will be made. All other appropriate treatment and care will be provided.

1 Does the patient have capacity to make and communicate decisions about CPR? Yes/**No**
 If YES go to box 2

If NO, are you aware of a valid advance decision refusing CPR which is relevant to the current condition? If YES go to box 6 Yes/No

All other decisions must be made in the patient's best interests and comply with current law. Go to box 2

2 Summary of the main clinical problems and reasons why CPR would be inappropriate, unsuccessful or not in the patient's best interests:

Poor baseline, multiple comorbidities, long adm with further decline, recent STEMI + AAA rupture, now cardiogenic shock, AKI not fit for dialysis, not for escalation as per ICU.

3 Summary of communication with patient. If this decision has not been discussed with the patient, state the reason why:

Patient too drowsy + unwell for discussion.

4 Summary of communication with patient's relatives or friends:

D/W NOK niece Laura - in agreement.

5 Names of members of multidisciplinary team contributing to this decision:

D/W Consultant Dr McDavid

Others in agreement: MTI Dr Foster, Ward Sister M. Neilly

6 Healthcare professional completing this DNACPR order:

Name E. CASSIDY Position ST4 Cardio Registration No. 7596759
 Signature E Cassidy Date 29/12/22 Time 14.20
 eg. GMC

7 Review and endorsement by most senior health professional:

Signature AMDAID Name AMDAID Date 29.12.22

Review date (if appropriate) _____ Please sign below, or continue on new form if required

Signature _____ Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Name _____ Date _____

Text:

Do Not Attempt Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

For adults aged 18 years and over

Surname: Smyth

First names: George

Consultant: Dr McDaid

DOB: 29/11/46

HCN: 399 005 0001

Ward: Cardiology

Age 82

Belfast Health and Social Care Trust

Date of DNACPR order: 29/12/22

DO NOT PHOTOCOPY

In the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest no attempts at cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) will be made. All other appropriate treatment and care will be provided.

1. Does the patient have capacity to make and communicate decisions about CPR? (No selected)
If Yes, go to box 2
If NO, are you aware of a valid advanced decision refusing CPR which is relevant to the current condition? If YES go to box 6 (No selected)
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Case 3 Part 2 Facilitator Materials

5. Names of members of multidisciplinary team contributing to this decision: D/W Consultant
Dr McDaid. IMT1 Dr Foster and Ward Sister M. Neilly.

6. Healthcare professional completing this DNACPR order:

Name E Cassidy

Position ST4

Registration No. eg. GMC 7596759

Signature E Cassidy

Date 29/12/22

Time 14.20

Review and endorsement by most senior health professional:

Signature A McDaid

Name A McDaid (Cons)

Date 29/11/22

Review date (if appropriate) ____ Please sign below, or continue on new form if required

Signature____ Name____ Date____

Signature____ Name____ Date____

**This form should be completed legibly in black ball point ink
All sections should be completed**

**This form should *only* be used when a decision has been made that
attempted CPR would be inappropriate**

- The patient's full name, date of birth and address should be written clearly.
- The date of writing the order should be entered.
- This order will be regarded as 'INDEFINITE' unless it is clearly cancelled or a definite review date is specified.
- The order should be reviewed whenever clinically appropriate or whenever the patient is transferred from one healthcare institution to another, admitted from home or discharged home.
- If the decision is cancelled the form should be crossed through with two diagonal lines in black ball-point ink and 'CANCELLED' written clearly between them, signed and dated by the healthcare professional cancelling the order. The cancelled form must be filed in the patient's chart. The cancelled form must **NOT** be filed in the front of the chart.

1 Capacity/advance decisions

Record the assessment of capacity in the clinical notes. Ensure that any advance decision is valid for the patient's current circumstances.

16 and 17 year-olds: *Whilst 16 and 17 year-olds with capacity are treated as adults for the purposes of consent, parental responsibility will continue until they reach age 18. Legal advice should be sought in the event of disagreements on this issue between a young person of 16 or 17 and those holding parental responsibility.*

2 Summary of the main clinical problems and reasons why CPR would be inappropriate, unsuccessful or not in the patient's best interests

Be as specific as possible.

3 Summary of communication with patient

State clearly what was discussed and agreed. If this decision was not discussed with the patient state the reason why this was inappropriate. It is not essential to discuss CPR with every patient.

If a patient is in the final stages of a terminal illness and discussion would cause distress without any likelihood of benefit this situation should be recorded.

4 Summary of communication with those close to patient

If the patient lacks capacity, those close to the patient must be involved in discussions to explore the patient's wishes, feelings, beliefs and values, as far as it is practical and appropriate to do so.

If the patient has capacity, ensure that discussion with others does not breach confidentiality.

State the names and relationships of relatives or friends or other representatives with whom this decision has been discussed. More detailed description of such discussion should be recorded in the clinical notes where appropriate.

5 Members of multidisciplinary team

State names and positions. Ensure that the DNACPR order has been communicated to all relevant members of the healthcare team.

6 Healthcare professional completing this DNACPR order

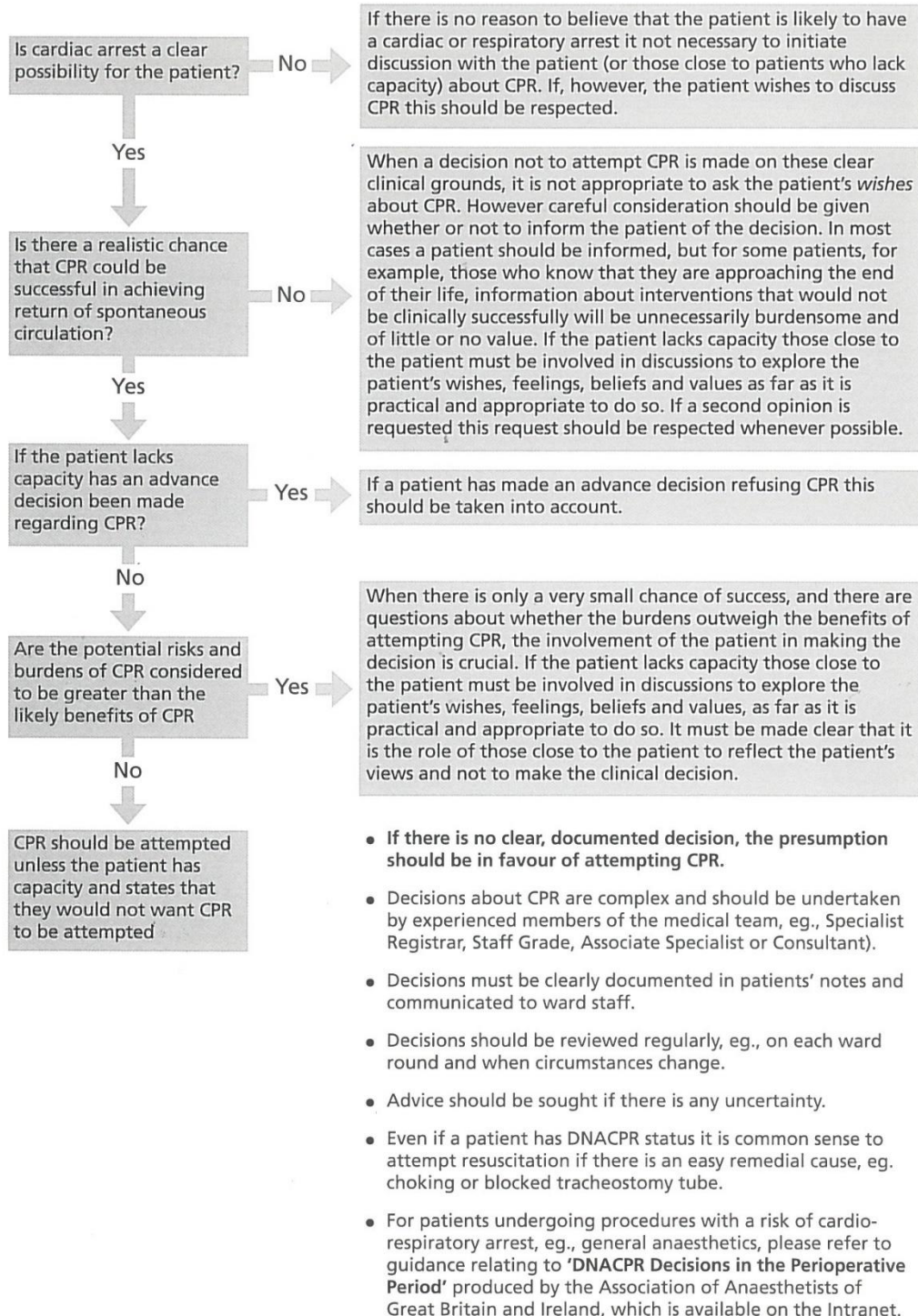
This will vary according to circumstances and local arrangements. In general this should be the most senior healthcare professional immediately available.

7 Review/endorsement

The decision must be endorsed by the most senior healthcare professional responsible for the patient's care at the earliest opportunity. Further endorsement should be signed whenever the decision is reviewed. A fixed review date is not recommended.

Review should occur whenever circumstances change. The decision should be reviewed on each senior ward round or at least weekly.

Framework for decisions relating to CPR in adults



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Text:

399 005 0001 SMYTH George (Male / 82 years)

Address: 17 Oak Avenue, Antrim BT41 4LH

29/12/22 14.30 E Cassidy ST4

Returned to review

RR remains high.

Reduced consciousness.

Peripheries cool.

Family present and in agreement with plan to prioritise comfort.

Imp: Rapid deterioration, approaching EOL.

Trial of CPAP or inotropes no longer appropriate – would prolong dying

Plan: Anticipatory medicines

Mouthcare

Stop non-essential meds

DNAR

Comfort a priority

Signed E. Cassidy ST4 7596759