ACTION CARD

Site Medical Team

NOMINATED EXPERIENCED DOCTOR AND NURSE FROM THE ED

FUNCTION/ROLE: To:

- Prepare to respond to a request from the scene of the emergency
- Ensure that you are fully equipped to undertake the task in hand.

ACTIVATION PROCEDURE:

- You will be informed by the Emergency Department Nurse/Medic in charge
- Alert level 1.

Be prepared to respond to a request from the HSE Crisis Management Team to provide (a) Site Medical officer and (b) Site Medical Team to go to the scene of an incident.

Another team that may be requested from CUH is the Site Surgical Team.

A **Site Surgical Team** consists of:

An Anesthetic SHO, a surgical SHO and ED Nurse.

A Site Medical Team consists of:

One Senior ED Nurse ED Consultant or senior ED Registrar.

- 1. Assemble in Emergency Department.
- 2. Put on Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) hard hat, eye protection, high visibility suit, and steel toed boots.
- 3. Take M.I.M.M.S. folder from Major Emergency Store room in ED
- **4.** Take disaster bags and drugs.

THIS TEAM SHOULD BE READY TO DEPART WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF A CALL AMBULANCE OR SECURITY TRANSPORT TO THE SCENE OF THE INCIDENT. (See Appendix F)

Assembly of **subsequent site medical teams** will be determined as required depending on the major incident needs at the site.

Such teams may require to be selected from the hospital network 2 and would be determined in consultation with the Emergency Department Consultant.

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5. On arrival at the scene the Site Medical Team should report to the Site **Medical Officer** at the Ambulance Control Point and take direction from him

Priority at the scene: Do the most for the most.

- 6. Treat casualties along Airway, Breathing, Circulation, Disability (ABCD) priorities.
- **7.** Do a rapid primary survey on each patient as they arrive at the Casualty Clearing Station.
- **8.** Decide on the priority for treatment and label appropriately with a coloured triage label. Use TRIAGE SIEVE to prioritise patients when casualty flow is high. Use **TRIAGE SORT** to prioritise patients when time and resources allow.
- 9. Ensure each patient is labelled.

Immediate - red **Urgent – yellow** Minor – green Expectant – green (endorsed) or blue Dead – white

- 10. Your label may not have the "Expectant" category: use the "Delayed" (green) Category and endorse the card expectant, but keep these casualties separate from those with minor injuries.
- 11. Keep a log and note the time, number and priority of each patient.
- 12. On completion of specific tasks personnel should report to the Site Medical Officer through the appropriate chain of command for redeployment.