

AIRWAY MANAGEMENT TEAMS

East Airway Call Team Members	
Day Shift	Night shift/Weekend
Floor Manager	Attending on call
"Airway" CRNA	"Airway" CRNA
	OB attending

West Airway Call Team Members	
Day Shift	Night shift/Weekend
Designated Airway attending	Designated Airway attending
Floor Manager	"Airway" CRNA
ICU Attending	ICU Attending

Principles:

Designated Airway Attending on West: Anesthesia Critical Care Attending (Float or Overnight Anesthesia Intensivist) or other provider trained in the use of PAPR

All team members across both campuses are to share cell phones to create ad-hoc text groups and real-time call capability

Airway CRNA has duties to assist or perform crash or COVID intubations. They may be asked to cover OR duties by attending anesthesiologist in order to facilitate attending presence at intubations.

Only CRNAs trained in PAPR can perform intubations

If both attendings are in ORs, they may choose to

1. Have the CRNA cover room and go to code/intubation

2. Send CRNA to code and call West ICU call to join intubation

* CRNA must call West attending in this scenario BEFORE they enter patient room to intubate

PPE plan for airway team

Primary intubator	CRNA or Attending	PAPR or N95 + Eye protection + head cover +/- shoe cover	Gown	Double gloves
Rescue intubator	CRNA or Attending	N95 + Eye protection + head cover +/- shoe cover	Gown	Double gloves

Procedures:

CRNA's and Attendings coming in for the evening shift/call must contact each other. Please remember that the evening shift CRNA comes in at 7 pm NOT 5 pm. Please check the daily call schedule for who is assigned to these roles.

- o **West am:** Floor runner creates a texting group of following people (West Floor runner, CRNA, ICU attending)
- o **West pm/weekend:** Call attending creates a texting group of (call attending, CRNA, ICU attending)
- o **East am:** Floor manager creates a texting group of the following (East floor manager, CRNA)
- o **East pm/weekend:** Call attending creates a text group of (Call attending, OB attending, CRNA)

Team steps:

- All airway team members must deactivate Do Not Disturb "sleep" settings on phones.
- Test PAPR and making sure everything works at the beginning of the shift.
- CRNAs are expected to know the layout of the hospital and location of various code locations
- When attending/ICU staff get a call for intubation, attending/ICU doc calls (not texts) the CRNA if they do not have a code pager
- The intubating attending and CRNA decide who picks up the PAPR box for code events.
- Both go to the intubation location.
- Assess the situation, decide who is going to perform the intubation. Decide if AOC needs to be called. Decide if more airway equipment is needed.
- Ensure appropriate PPE is worn.
- The person who is not intubating to be ready to assist if necessary. (N95, cap, gown, gloves) but wait outside.
- After intubation doff in the prescribed manner
- Put the used PAPR in the plastic bag
- The team goes back to the PAPR location.
- One person decontaminates the PAPR.
- Test PAPR again.
- Box and close unit.
- Email AOC if not present and let him/her know if there were issues.
- Please delete texting groups at the end of the shift.