



RECOGNIZING THE PATIENT WHO IS AT RISK OF IMMINENT DEATH OR SERIOUS ADVERSE OUTCOME

A TRIAGING TOOL FOR FRONT DESK STAFF MEMBERS

MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION (MI)

Is the patient experiencing 2 or more of the following?	NO	YES
Pain or discomfort in the chest		
Light-headedness, nausea, or vomiting		
Jaw, Neck, or Back pain		
Discomfort or pain in left arm or shoulder		
Shortness of breath		

IF THE ANSWER IS YES TO 2 OR MORE QUESTIONS, ACTIVATE STAFF EMERGENCY CALL NOW!!!

If the answer is NO to 4 or more questions, continue with the following ones:

CEREBRO-VASCULAT ACCIDENT (CVA)

Is the patient experiencing 2 or more of the following?	NO	YES
Loss of balance		
Blurred vision		
One-sided droopy or paralyzed face		
Arms or legs weakness		
Slurred speech		

IF THE ANSWER IS YES TO 2 OR MORE QUESTIONS, ACTIVATE STAFF EMERGENCY CALL NOW!!!

If the answer is NO to 4 or more questions, continue with the following ones:

ACTIVE BLEEDING

Is the patient actively bleeding right now and it is not possible to stop the bleeding by applying gauze on it?	NO	YES

IF THE ANSWER IS YES, ACTIVATE STAFF EMERGENCY CALL NOW!!!

If the answer is NO, the patient is NOT at risk of imminent death or serious adverse outcome and must be dealt with as a non-urgent case.

CAUTION!

This tool is a modified version of the tool developed by D. Karczewski and T. Karczewski at Cranston Ridge Medical Clinic and may be utilized exclusively by staff members who have been trained to use it.

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