STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

TRIAGE

All the patients should be triaged according to the triage protocol which will decide the level of care by the nurse. Triage category IV and V will be directed to the ACO chamber and rest should be directed to the treatment room for the further assessment by the doctor on duty.

Resuscitation room care:

- Patients should be managed accordingly as per the resuscitation protocol.
- **Isolation Room Care**: Patients with the suspected communicable illness should be observed in this room until further disposition.

Observation Room Care:

- The nurse should perform the initial assessment. This should be further assessed by the doctor.
- Doctor and nurses should follow ethical code of conduct and universal precautions.
- Assessment, evaluation and monitoring of the patient should be done as per the ED protocol.
- All the investigations (Laboratory, Radiology, etc.) should be done as soon as possible and reports to be collected at the earliest.
- Concerned specialist should be informed as soon as possible. Meanwhile detail information should be obtained from the family/party.
- Effective treatments should be started as soon as possible.
- Drugs and equipments should be checked and monitored on every shift of duty.
- Hygiene and sanitation should be maintained at all time. Infection control and waste management protocol should be strictly followed.
- All important information regarding patients should be written on the information board and updated on time.
- Documentation and record should be maintained properly and strictly.

MONITORING

• Monitoring of the patients should be done strictly as per protocol.

DISPOSITION

- Disposition of the ED patients should be done within 24 hours as far as possible.
- After consultation with the specialist, if the patient is sent to OT, the concerned specialist and the ward should be informed.
- All patients discharged from the ED should be given appropriate information regarding medicines, diet, care and follow up.
- Death certificate will be given to only those patients who die in ED or those who die under medical escort.
- Patient brought dead to ED should be reported to police and forensic specialist.

CASE MANAGEMENT FOR SPECIFIC DISORDERS

 Case management for specific disorders should follow the protocol provided by respective departments.

MASS CASUALTY

In the event of mass casualty following guidelines should be followed:

- Hospital administration should be alerted.
- All the HODs and In-charges should be informed for the activation of their staff.
- Necessary infrastructure, human resource and logistics should be provided.
- Further management should be carried out as per protocol.
- Registration and Triaging should be carried out at the same time.

CODE BLUE (CARDIAC ARREST):

- The emergency team should attend to code blue any time.
- Code blue announcement and response should be carried out as and when situation arises.

SIGNATORIES

Name of staff(MO/NO/CO/COI/MIDWIFE/ETC)

Name:	<i>sign</i>	Date:
Department in charge		
Name:	sign	Date:
Nursing Officer in charge		
Name:	sign	Date:
Hospital Administrator		

Name:	sign	Date: