# **Pediatric/Adolescent Admission**

# **1 POLICY:**

The organization provides care for pediatric/adolescent patients at all the four hospital sites in the following locations: Emergency Departments

- Evanston Hospital (EH)
- Glenbrook Hospital (GH)
- Highland Park Hospital (HPH)
- Skokie Hospital (SH)
- HPH
- 2 South/Pediatrics, 4 North, ICU, Adolescent Psychiatric Unit and LDRP

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• 3 North, ICU, ISCU, Labor and Delivery and Women's Services

#### 2 SCOPE:

Care providers, physicians, Allied Health Practitioners providing care for pediatric patients.

## **3 DEFINITIONS:**

<u>Pediatric</u>: – 1 day of age to 12 years <u>Adolescent</u>: – Greater than 12 years to 18 years

## **4 PROCEDURE:**

- A. Glenbrook Hospital Admission and treatment of Pediatric/Adolescent patients occurs in the following departments:
  - 1. <u>Emergency Department</u>
  - Treats all age groups
  - 2. Surgical Patients
    - Elective Surgical Care of Children (less than age 18) any out-patient procedure that can be done safely on a child in a surgi-center setting with an expected same day discharge. If admission is required, a transfer to Highland Park, Evanston, or other facility as appropriate will be necessary. All complicated surgical cases (such as asthma, sleep apnea, obesity or diabetes mellitus) will be done on the Evanston campus.
    - Emergency Surgical Care of Children (less than age 18) any acute procedure that cannot be safely transferred to another hospital and for which both appropriate and immediately available surgical and anesthesia care can be provided at Glenbrook Hospital. Following the emergent procedure, transfer to Highland Park, Evanston, or other facility as appropriate will be necessary.
  - 3. <u>ICU</u>

Admits patients 18 years of age and older.

- 4. <u>Medical inpatients</u> 3 North, 3 South & 3 East. Admit 18 years and older.
- 5. Surgical Inpatients 4N 4S Admit 18 years and older.

Responsibility

Physician

#### Action

de	Imission and treatment of Pediatric/Adolescent patients occurs in the following partments:	
1.	•	
	Treats all age groups. ED physician consults with Pediatrician/PCP/Pediatric Hospitalist for patients that require admission. Patients in need of pediatric care are admitted to 2 South/Pediatrics, 4 North, ICU, or Adolescent Psychiatry as appropriate. Patients may also be transferred to another specialty unit at another hospital based on the patient's clinical needs.	
2.	<u>2 South/Pediatrics</u> In addition to adults, this unit admits pediatric/adolescent patients 1day of age to 18 years of age. Pediatric/adolescent patients are managed by the Pediatrician/PCP and/or the Pediatric Hospitalists.	
3.	<u>4 North</u> Admits adolescent patients 12 years of age and older. Adolescent patients are managed by the Pediatrician/PCP and/or Pediatric Hospitalist.	
4.	ICU Admits adolescent patients 12 years of age or older and at least 50KG at the discretion of the Pediatrician/PCP, the Pediatric Hospitalists or the Obstetricians. Emergency Intensive Care: Emergency Intensive Care of any patient under the age of 18 with an acute illness that cannot be safely transferred to another hospital and for which both appropriate and immediately available intensive care can be provided at Highland Park Hospital. Transfer may occur as soon as the patient is able to be safely transferred in the best interest of the patient.	
5.	Adolescent Psychiatric Unit Admits patients 12 through 24 years of age at the discretion of the Psychiatrist and the Clinical Nurse Manager (or designee of Patient Care Administration) following their consultation and approval. Patients are managed by the admitting service.	
6.	<u>LDRP</u> Admits pregnant patients. Patients are managed by the admitting service.	
Ev	vanston Hospital	
Ac	Imission and treatment of Pediatric/Adolescent patients occurs in the following	Physician
de	partments:	
1.	Emergency Department Treats all age groups. ED physician consults with Pediatrician/PCP for patients that require Admission. Patients in need of pediatric care are admitted to 3 North, ICU, or ISCU as appropriate. Patients may also be transferred to another specialty unit at another hospital based on the patient's clinical needs.	
2.	Pediatrician decision. Patients are managed by the Pediatric Resident/Hospitalist in collaboration with the Pediatrician/PCP.	

Trauma Centers regarding care and treatment of critically injured patients such that those age 15 and older will be appropriately admitted based upon the institutional capabilities of Evanston Hospital's Trauma Service. This rule is specific to trauma patients and not intended to replace the previously outlined Evanston Hospital ICU admission policy.

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# 4. <u>ISCU</u>

- Admits patients 1 day of age to 1 year of age at the discretion of the Neonatologist and the Clinical Nurse Manager (or designee of Patient Care Administration) following their consultation and approval. Patients are managed by Neonatology.
- 5. <u>Labor and Delivery and Women's Services</u> Admits pregnant patients. Patients are managed by the admitting service.

#### D. Skokie Hospital

- 1. Emergency Department
- Treats all age groups.
- 2. Surgical Patients

• Elective Surgical Care of Children (less than age 18) at Skokie – any out-patient procedure that can be done safely on a child in a surgicenter setting with an expected same day discharge. If admission is required, a transfer to Highland Park, Evanston, or other facility as appropriate will be necessary. All complicated surgical cases (such as asthma, sleep apnea, obesity or diabetes mellitus) will be done on the Evanston campus.

• Emergency Surgical Care of Children (less than age 18) – any acute procedure that cannot be safely transferred to another hospital and for which both appropriate and immediately available surgical and anesthesia care can be provided at Skokie Hospital. Following the emergent procedure, transfer to Highland Park, Evanston, or other facility as appropriate will be necessary.

3. <u>ICU</u>

Admits patients 18 years of age and older at the discretion of the Intensivist, and Surgeon. Patients are managed by the Intensivist and or the surgeon.

- 4. <u>Medical inpatients</u> Admit 18 years and older
- 5. Surgical inpatients Admit 18 years and older

## 5 ATTACHMENT:

None

## **6 DISTRIBUTION:**

**Clinical Practice Manual** 

# 7 POLICY RESPONSIBILITY

Chief Nursing Officer

#### In Coordination With:

Behavioral Services Department of Medicine Department of Obstetrics Department of Pediatrics Department of Surgery Head, Division of Emergency Medicine Department of Nursing

## 8 **REFERENCES:**

#### Internal

None

External

Department Plan of Care of Each Unit HPH – ICU Patient Admission Age Limit Criteria HPH – ICU Operating Policy EH – ICU Operating Policy EH – ISCU Admission and Discharge Criteria Transfer of Patient to Other Acute Care Facilities – COBRA/EMTALA, CP-5012 Physician

#### 9 **REVISION:**

The organization reserves the right to unilaterally revise, modify, review, or alter the terms and conditions of the policy within the constraints of law, with or without reasonable notice.

## **10 APPROVAL:**

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