WORK INSTRUCTION

ESCALATION System (including the PARROT): Request to Modify or Adopt

Scope (Staff):	Any Provider
Scope (Area):	Any Provider Sites and Services

Child Safe Organisation Statement of Commitment

CAHS commits to being a child safe organisation by applying the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. This is a commitment to a strong culture supported by robust policies and procedures to reduce the likelihood of harm to children and young people.

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Aim

This work instruction provides guidance on the process for endorsing requests from WA Health Service Providers or agencies outside of WA Health to adopt and/or modify the ESCALATION System, including the PARROT chart.

Risk

Non-compliance with this work instruction may result in:

- 1. Using the ESCALATION System and PARROT not based on the best available evidence.
- Adverse patient outcomes resulting from modifications to the ESCALATION system and PARROT without proper review, leading to a lack of evidencebased standardisation in recognising and responding to pediatric clinical deterioration.
- Breach of copyright: The ESCALATION System, which includes the PARROT chart, is owned by the Child and Adolescent Health Service and Curtin University.

Background

WA Health, St John, WA, Royal Flying Doctor Service, WA, and several private health facilities use the ESCALATION system and PARROT chart to recognise and respond to clinical deterioration.

Other health facilities may need to adapt the escalation of care responses when adopting the ESCALATION System, including the PARROT.

Principles

- Any provider adopting or modifying the ESCALATION System and PARROT must first submit a Request for Use or Change ESCALATION form to the CAHS Escalation System Working Group for consideration and assessment.
- The role of the CAHS ESCALATION System Working Group in reviewing all Escalation Request for Use or Change forms is to:
 - Ensure the integrity of the ESCALATION System and PARROT in detecting acute deterioration when applied to the requesting provider setting.
 - To provide a formal endorsement process for requests to adopt and/or modify the ESCALATION System and PARROT to be made.

Procedure

Steps	Additional Information
Requestor accesses and completes the CAHS Request for Use or Change ESCALATION form from the ESCALATION-system website https://pch.health.wa.gov.au/Forhealth-professionals/ESCALATION-system	
2. The Requester submits the CAHS Request for Use or Change ESCALATION form to cahs.executivedirectornursing@he alth.wa.gov.au	
Email and request received by Chair of the CAHS Escalation System Working Group	
The CAHS Escalation System Working Group Chair distributes requests and related documents to group members for their review. A meeting is scheduled as required.	
The Working Group considers the request.	If the proposed use or change of the ESCALATION chart is not supported.

Steps	Additional Information	
	In that case, a request for additional advice/comment may be sought, and the reason for not approving will be documented on the Request for Use or Change of ESCALATION form and returned to the requesting provider.	
	The requester may amend and resubmit the form based on the feedback.	
	If the proposed use or change is supported , the requester should proceed to step 6 below.	
6. An approved and signed request to use or change the ESCALATION form by the CAHS Executive Director of Nursing Services will be emailed to the requesting provider, confirming support for the submission.	The CAHS Executive Director of Nursing Services Executive Assistant will store all requests for using or changing ESCALATION Charts.	
7. Requests for the use or modification of the ESCALATION form will indicate that resources to assist with the integration of the PARROT into the service (e.g., auditing tool, family involvement poster, policy, and contact to access learning package) can all be found on the ESCALATION-system website.https://pch.health.wa.gov.au/For-health-professionals/ESCALATION-system		
8. The requester will provide the approved request to the Print Media Group (PMG) to make the approved changes and arrange for printing.	Contact details for Print Media Group: pmgcontact@pmg.com.au – 1800 888 102	
9. The requester will implement the adopted and/or modified ESCALATION System and PARROT at the Health Service.		

Useful resources (including related forms) (if required)

CAHS Request for Use or Change of ESCALATION form

https://pch.health.wa.gov.au/For-health-professionals/ESCALATION-system

This document can be made available in alternative formats on request.

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