

RESUSCITATION POLICY

Department / Service:	Resuscitation Department	
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Target Organisation(s)	Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust	
Target Departments	All departments	
Target staff categories	All staff	

Scope of the Policy

This policy provides direction and guidance for all clinical staff in the organisational response to cardiac arrest and sudden collapse. The policy details training and equipment specifications as well as systems for ensuring the rapid summoning and arrival of expert help.

This policy identifies management responsibilities and monitoring arrangements to ensure compliance.

Process for the identification and management of the deteriorating patient is provided in policy WAHT-KD-022, Recognising and Responding to Early Signs of Deterioration in Hospital Patients

Details for the management of 'advanced decisions' including 'do not attempt CPR' decisions, are specified in the Worcestershire NHS 'ReSPECT' Policy (based on the national initiative for a 'Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment')