

## DEEP RIVER AND DISTRICT HEALTH

<b>Policy:</b> Code Blue – Cardiac Arrest/Medical Emergency	
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### Policy

A Code Blue is a planned response to a person that is experiencing a cardiac or respiratory arrest, pre-arrest or whose condition has deteriorated beyond the knowledge, skill or scope of the persons in the immediate area. The goal of a Code Blue is to bring the Emergency Response Team to the location of the person in need of emergency assistance.

**The organization does not differentiate between an adult and neonate/pediatric for emergency response to cardiac or respiratory arrest as no pediatric specialist on staff.**  
**Procedure**

#### Outside (parking lot, etc.)

Do not attempt to transfer person. Call EMS and follow directions from dispatch while awaiting arrival of the ambulance.

#### North Renfrew Family Health Team, Four Seasons Lodge or Staff/Visitor/Outpatient

The Code Blue page (dial 7999 2 for DRDH, FSL, and FHT) will be made to bring additional assistance to the location of the person experiencing the emergency. Use the Diagnostic Imaging stretcher to transfer the person to the Emergency Department for further interventions.

Code blues may also occur in the Emergency Department and on the Medical Floor. Both the Medical Floor and Emergency Department are equipped with appropriate lifesaving equipment.

### Materials and Supplies

- **Appendix B:** Crash Cart Checklist
- Code Blue Resuscitation Record
- Protected Code Blue
- Emergency Code Debriefing Worksheet
- Crash Carts are located
  - Inside Resuscitation Room
  - Medical Hallway

Reference Documents	•
Acknowledgements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Code Blue – Cardiac Arrest, Alexandra Marine &amp; General Hospital</li> <li>• Code Blue Arrest Protocol, Hamilton Health Services, 2018</li> </ul>
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*\* Live document is updated according to expiry*

<b>TOP OF CART</b>	<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>EXPIRY DATE</b> mm/dd/yy	<b>DAYS TO EXPIRY</b> *as of date on pg 1*
Cardiac arrest clipboard/pen (in duplicate)	1		
Ambu bag (with micron filter)	1		
Oxygen tank (check daily)	1		
Medication cards	1		
<b>RECESSED TOP OF CART</b>			
Endotracheal tubes - 6.0	1		
-6.5	1		
-7.0	1		
-7.5	1		
-8.0	1		
-8.5	1		
-9.0	1		
Metal tongue depressors	2		
McGill forceps - long and short	1 each		
Tongue grasper	1		
Hemostat	1		
Wooden tongue depressors	6		
Adhesive tape 1/2"	1		
Xylocaine spray tip nozzle	1		
Laryngoscope - Handles	2		
- Blades - Straight	4		
- Curved	4		
Oropharyngeal airways - Size 7	1		
8	1		
9	1		
10	1		
11	1		
Xylocaine endotracheal spray	1		
Xylocaine 2% gel	2		
10ml syringe (unsterile)	1		
Full face shield	1		
In-line suction catheter	1		
Ambu bag filter (attached to Ambu bag)	1		
<b>DRAWER #1 - AIRWAY</b>	<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>EXPIRY DATE</b>	<b>DAYS TO EXPIRY</b>
Intubation stylets 5.0-7.0	1		
7.5-10	1		
Nasopharyngeal airway - Size 6	1		
7	1		
8	1		
9	1		





# CRASH CART CHECKLIST

DRAWER #3 - IV DRAWER	QUANTITY	EXPIRY DATE	DAYS TO EXPIRY
Angiocaths - #14			
#16			
#18			
#20			
#22			
#24			
2x2 gauze			
Tegaderm			
Tourniquet			
Kling			
Tape 1/2" and 1"			
IV tubing - pump			
IV tubing - secondary			
IV tubing - primary			
Y-type connector set			
PRN adaptors			
Saline lock (needleless)			
Stopcocks			
Proiodine swabs			
Chlorhexidine swabs			
Microbore Extension Set			
Microclave Clear Connector			
Alcohol swabs			
Arm boards - long and short			
Band-aids			
IV solution - D5W 500ml			
IV solution - NS 0.9% 500ml			
IV solution - D5W 50ml minibags			
IV solution - D5W NonPVC bag 500ml (for amiodarone)			
IV solution - NS 0.9% 250ml (for lidocaine drip)			
Premixed Dopamine bag - 400mg in 250ml D5W			
IV Solution - NS 0.9% 100ml minibags			
<b>BOTTOM OF CART</b>			
Stethoscope			
Combi-tubes			
Portable manual suction			
Cricothyrotomy kit			
T-Piece			
BP cuff			
Pacemaker magnet			

