

To:	MU Duty Managers, MU Nurse Managers, ED, Reception, JMOs, DDONS, DON, DDMS, VMOs, Ward Clerks
From:	Dr Andrew Wesseldine- Director Medical Services
CC:	Ben Irish, CEO Murdoch
Subject:	ICU Senior Registrars Overnight trial commencing Tuesday 12 March 2024

Context

At St John of God Murdoch we are always striving to find ways to improve patient safety. We have for a number of years had a shortage of overnight doctors in the ED Department.

A number of options have been considered and we are now implementing a 3-month trial commencing **Tuesday 12 March 2024** of a Senior Intensive Care Registrar between the hours of 10pm and 7am, 7 nights per week.

This new Senior Registrar position will:

- Lead all overnight MER calls, allowing the ED Consultant to remain in the ED
- Support the ED Consultant to manage complex patients
- Perform necessary advanced procedures including resuscitation, sedation, airway management and intubation
- Act as a senior point of escalation for deteriorating or unstable patients across the wider Hospital
- Enable efficient transfer of ED patients to the HDU/ICU
- Provide valuable teaching and mentoring opportunities to junior caregivers
- Provide Support to the On Call ICU Consultant
- Support the Duty Nurse Manager with shared clinical governance

We hope this Senior position will provide reassurance and support overnight and will be available to VMOs, JMOs, Duty Managers and Nursing caregivers who have clinical concerns and be able to provide timely advice.

During the hours of 7am and 10pm the usual process that is in place at St John of God Murdoch for managing MET calls will remain unchanged.

We will be monitoring and reviewing the impact and effectiveness of this new role throughout the duration of the 3-month trial and are open to feedback on how the service is going.

The ICU Registrars will be contactable via mobile on 0427 147 559