

The Role of the Advanced Practitioner on the CVIST

The advanced practitioner is an essential part in the delivery of high-quality ICU care. As part of the multidisciplinary rounding model, the APP functions to deliver clinic care, teach, and coordinate care. The intent of COVID Intensivist Surge Team (CVIST) is to harness the experience, skill, and scope of the Advanced Practitioner to maximize the effectiveness of these teams during this pandemic. The roles of the Advanced Practitioner as a member of CVIST include but not limited to:

- 1) Functions as a first responder to all ICU emergencies
- 2) Present at Daily Multidisciplinary Rounds and collaborates with the intensivist and non-intensivist physician to:
 - Perform a comprehensive history and physical examination, assessment and evaluation
 - Daily documentation, SBAR, and discharge summaries
 - Develop a comprehensive patient-specific ICU plan
 - Order, evaluate, and interpret diagnostic laboratory and radiological studies (e.g., chest x-ray, 12-lead EKG, TEE)
 - Order consults, treatments or services related to the patient's care (e.g., physical and occupational therapy)
 - Implements and reassesses plan as appropriate
- 3) Use of ultrasound for diagnosis and delivery of care (non-ICU Advanced Practitioners excluded)
- 4) Educates patient and family
- 5) Assists with discharge planning
- 6) Communicates with patients, primary care provider and referring health care provider
- 7) Provides clinical education for nurses and ancillary staff

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