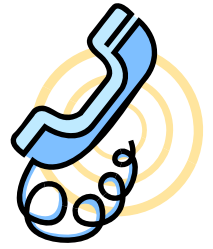


SBAR REPORT TO A PHYSICIAN

BEFORE CALLING THE PHYSICIAN

1. Assess the patient
2. Review the chart for the appropriate physician to call
3. Know the admitting diagnosis
4. Read the most recent Progress Notes and the assessment from the nurse of the prior shift.
5. Have available when speaking with the physician:



Chart, Allergies, Meds, IV fluids, Labs / Results

SITUATION

State your **name and unit**

I am calling about: **(Patient Name & Room Number)**

The **problem** I am calling about is:

BACKGROUND

State the **admission diagnosis and date of admission**

State the pertinent **medical history**

A Brief Synopsis of the **treatment to date**

ASSESSMENT

Most recent vital signs:

BP _____ Pulse _____ Respirations _____ Temperature _____

The patient is or is not on oxygen

Any changes from prior assessments, such as:

Mental Status	Respiratory rate/quality	Retractions / use of accessory muscles
Skin Color	Pulse /BP rate/quality	Rhythm changes
Neuro changes	Pain	Wound drainage
Musculoskeletal (joint deformity, weakness)	GI/GU (Nausea / Vomiting / Diarrhea / Output)	

RECOMMENDATION

Do you think we should: (State what you would like to see done)

- Transfer the patient to ICU or PICU ?
- Come to see the patient at this time ?
- Talk to the patient and/or family about the code status ?
- Ask for a consultant to see the patient now ?

Other suggestion ? _____

Are any tests needed ?

Do you need any tests like CXR ABG EKG CBC BNP

Others? _____

If a change in treatment is ordered, then ask:

- How often do you want vital signs ? _____
- If there the patient does not improve, when would you want us to call again?

DOCUMENT THE CHANGE IN CONDITION & THE PHYSICIAN NOTIFICATION

