OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES: BURN SERVICE/ SICU SERVICE
RESPONSIBILITIES

OBJECTIVE:
A standardized protocol to denote the responsibility of SICU providers with ICU level Burn patients.

PROCEDURE:
Burn Service residents assigned to the Burn service for the month are responsible for all care and orders on stepdown and floor level patients. SICU residents are responsible for the care and orders for ICU level burn patients.

BICU/SICU Attending:
The Burn Attending will manage the critical care oversight of the patient. The Burn Attending will work with the SICU resident to round on patients, attempting to coordinate rounds as to not run simultaneously with SICU rounds.

Nurse Practitioner:
Nurse practitioner can do wound care on all patients
Nurse Practitioner can write orders for all wound care
Nurse Practitioner can write orders for acute care level patients
Nurse Practitioner can NOT write ICU level orders

Burn Residents Responsibilities:
  a. Work collaboratively with the SICU service on any burn patient who is ICU leveled care.
  b. Write orders for burn/wound care on ALL burn patients
  c. Review of injuries and significant surgical and medical interventions since admission
  d. Review of any changes in medical conditions or therapeutic interventions over the past 24 hours
  e. Any changes in the ROS in the past 24 hours
  f. Vital signs including measurements from invasive monitoring, ventilator settings, blood gases
  g. Current medications
  h. Laboratory and x-ray data
  i. Family members will be provided the names of the Burn and SICU teams, with a summary of the patient’s condition and plans at the end of rounds or updated on arrival.
  j. Burn Residents are not responsible for writing daily progress notes on the ICU level patients.

SICU Residents Responsibilities:
  a. Work collaboratively with the resident covering the burn service for continuity of care.
  b. Managing the ventilator, placement of invasive catheters
c. Manage vaso-active intravenous medications for all patients on ICU level of care.
d. SICU residents covering Burn ICU patients will round on all ICU level patients, as well as rounding with the Burn Service Attending and team.
e. Review of injuries and significant surgical and medical interventions since admission
f. Review of any changes in medical conditions or therapeutic interventions over the past 24 hours
g. Any changes in the ROS in the past 24 hours
h. Vital signs including measurements from invasive monitoring, ventilator settings, blood gases
i. Physical exam
k. Current medications
l. Laboratory and x-ray data
m. Assessment and plan for each relevant body system.
n. Family members will be provided the names of the Burn and SICU teams, with a summary of the patient’s condition and plans at the end of rounds.