

Introducing new ICU consent process for COVID-19 patients

The initial experience with COVID-19 suggests that respiratory failure occurs suddenly, often many days into the illness or hospitalization. **We are therefore requesting patients consent, in advance, to ICU admission and the standard procedures used to support patients with ARDS** (intubation, central line and arterial line placement, etc). This does NOT replace the MOLST process.

Patients and families in the ER or upon admission to the floor should review the consent and accompanying forms (KH-00049-269). The forms should be discussed with the ED or admitting service provider, and consent is to be obtained early in the hospital stay.

This process should allow patients to make informed decisions about their care before emergent steps are required, and should lessen the administrative burden on our busy ICU teams during this pandemic.

The physicians authorized to provide care upon consent are the ICU physician on service, the site anesthesia director, and associates.

Forms on Demand Pathway for reference:

Print	Preview	Number	Name
<input type="checkbox"/>		KH00049	Consent For Medical And/Or Surgical Treatment
<input type="checkbox"/>		KH00049-077	Consent for Biopsy under CT/Ultrasound Guidance
<input type="checkbox"/>		KH00049-127	CONSENT FOR VISCERAL ANGIOGRAM WITH POSSIBLE MODERATE (CONSCIOUS) SEDATION
<input type="checkbox"/>		KH00049-269	Consent for Critical Care ICU Treatment
<input type="checkbox"/>		KH24874	Echocardiography Contrast Administration Record
<input type="checkbox"/>		MFSH DR SHENOY	Dr Shenoy Forms