

<b>Name of Policy:</b> Mandatory ICU Consultation <b>Policy Number:</b> 3364-87-04 <b>Approving Officer:</b> Chief of Staff <b>Responsible Agent:</b> Chief Medical Officer <b>Scope:</b> All patients admitted to a UTMC critical care unit		 <b>Effective Date:</b> 09/01/2023 <b>Original effective date:</b> 07/01/2014	
	New policy proposal		Minor/technical revision of existing policy
	Major revision of existing policy	x	Reaffirmation of existing policy

(A) Policy statement

The University of Toledo Medical Center strives to provide the highest level of critical care services to all patients in a consistent manner, concordant with state-of-the-art care.

(B) Purpose of policy

The purpose of this policy to set forth clear expectations of the level of medical staff coverage for all patients requiring care in any of our critical care units.

(C) Scope

The policy applies to all patients admitted to the intensive care units of UTMC.

All patients admitted to an intensive care unit, regardless of location or clinical service shall have a mandatory ICU consultation.

(D) Procedure

As part of standing orders, upon admission to the ICU, patients will have either a medical or surgical critical care consultation ordered. Consultative services will be available on a 24-hour, 7 day per week basis. Co-management between a primary service and critical care consulting service will be presumed. However, upon request by the admitting service, primary care responsibility can be transferred to the critical care service. In order to assure clarity in roles and responsibility, this transfer of care will be noted as a physician order and entered into the electronic record.

