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| **End of Lifecare Policy** | |
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**Care Activity**:

* CPR to be given by Medical Officer on Duty and the attending nurse
* Information to the treating Consultant to be given by Medical Officer on duty,
* Medical Superintendent (Male and Female wing) of the hospital to be informed about the death.
* The necessary details regarding condition of the patient and details of CPR is to be written in patient’s file to ensure proper medical record for MRD.
* In case of the event of impending death of a patient, the medical team regularly updates the patient’s representatives about the patient’s condition. The patient’s representatives are allowed to interact with the patient. At most sensitivity is maintained by the medical team in educating and counseling the patient representatives.
* Death of a patient is handled carefully with concern without complacency. Counseling of next of kin with sympathy is given at most importance. All help in shifting the body from the hospital is extended to the next of kin. The dead body is released as soon as possible after completion of all formalities.
* Acknowledgement for receipt of the body and the Death Certificate is obtained from Next of Kin/Legal representative. Handing-over of the body is a Solomon occasion and it is ensured that hospital staff takes due care and concern in this respect. Due arrangements are made if preserving the body in the mortuary is found necessary.
* A representative of the hospital is present till the departure of the deceased. Security personnel on duty ensure orderliness in handing over the body to the next of kin.
* Incase of MLC case, the local police station informed. The body is handed over to the police and entry made in the MLC register.
* Religious sentiments are given due consideration. Patients relatives are allowed time with the body. Incase of impending death of a patient, relatives are allowed to perform the religious beliefs without disturbing other patient. The hospital management along with its staff extends all possible help.