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# UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND







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## How is a PMR Validated?

- The Patient Movement Coordinator ensures all administrative information is correct and complete within the PMR
- The Patient Movement Clinical Coordinator (Flight Nurse) ensures all clinical information is complete, concise and ensures that the patient is stable for flight
- The Theater Validating Flight Surgeon (TVFS) validates the PMR allowing the pt to be manifested onto a mission



## PMR Clinical Requirements Using ISBAR

- Utilize the ISBAR tool to ensure all essential clinical information is standardized, clear and concise. Use the letters ISBAR when writing your medical history narrative as seen below.
- ISBAR:
- Identification of patient: Include age, service affiliation/status, gender
- Situation: What is the diagnosis? Date of injury/onset of symptoms, date presented to clinic/date of admission (clarify inpatient v. outpatient)
- Background: Past medical/surgical/social history, allergies, labs and radiology/imaging reports
- ASsessment/Activity: What is the current diagnosis/impression of the situation? Provide focused assessment. What treatments have been rendered? Has the patient improved or declined in clinical status? Can the patient SAM? Can the patient clear their ears? Can they ambulate? Can they egress without support in case of an emergency? Can they carry their own bags? History of TBI? CAR required? Combat/Battle injury?
- Recommendation: Movement precedence recommended? What is the plan/specialty treatment/care needed? ie. surgical intervention/rehab etc.

# PMR COVID Requirements

- IAW FHP 20, screen all patients and NMAs with the following questions: MUST BE VERBATIM WITHIN THE PMR
- Is the individual familiar with how to self-monitor and what actions to take if he/she develops COVID-19 symptoms or contracts COVID-19?
- Has the individual recently recovered from COVID-19? If so, when?
- Does the individual have documentation of a positive viral test & recovery attestation from a healthcare provider?
- Has the individual completed a COVID-19 immunization series? Date vaccination series completed?
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## **Patient Classifications**

- Inpatients Classifications: 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 3C
- -Should have IV in place if necessary-- for meds, seizure precautions, Intravenous fluids
- Be sure to add all invasive devices/equipment
- -All inpatients must have accepting provider listed and verification of doctor to doctor handoff noted
- Critical patients may require CCATT
- Outpatients Classification: 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D
- -MUST be able to self-administer medications (SAM)
- -All outpatients requiring specialty care must have accepting provider/appointment verification at end destination—Neurology, Oncology, Psychology, Complicated Orthopedics, Endocrine, Cardiology
- Pediatric Classifications: 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E
- -Parent or legal guardian required as NMA
- -A NICU pt will require NICU team



## Psychiatric Patients

- Assessment: Active SI/HI? Is pt calm, cooperative, agreeable to treatment plan? Any safety concerns? Does pt verbally contract for safety and verbalize understanding of treatment plan? Does pt have any communication barriers, fear, stress the crew should know about prior to flight?
- Standby "Ativan (AE Stock), 1 mg, PO, Q4hrs PRN" order is appropriate in most cases
- Primary dx cannot be suicidal ideation, but it can be secondary dx
- Ensure that NMA is same sex & equal rank or greater



## Other Common Diagnoses

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#### Diabetic

- FSA--There is no glucose monitor or chemical strips in the AE flight kits
- Ensure pt has approved glucometer & strips for flight
  - Freestyle Freedom Lite
  - Contour Ascensia
  - Medisense Precisions XTRA
- Specific orders for blood sugar check & insulin orders listed in medication tab

#### Orthopedics

- List all orthopedic devices in ortho eqpt tab
- Casts may need to be bi-valved if <48hrs old. List date and time of cast application in clinical hx.</li>



## <u>Pregnancy</u>

- Uncomplicated pregnancy is typically not an AE patient
- Patients who are beyond the 34th week of pregnancy are not routinely accepted for AE but are moved if determined necessary by a physician
- A qualified medical attendant accompanies high-risk OB patients



## Commonly Missed Items

- Correct classification (inpatient vs outpatient)
- Past medical/surgical/social history
- Current clinical status or re-assessment of initial diagnosis
- Recommendation: What is the plan or specialty care that is needed at destination facility (surgical intervention v rehab, further diagnostic testing/imaging etc)? Include required timeline to explain precedence of movement (ie surgery required within 2 days of injury-recommended by accepting MD).



## Patient Preparation for Flight

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#### **SENDING FACILITY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ALL PATIENTS:**

- 1. Patient Arm Band with name, allergy, last 4 SSN, DOB
- 2. Signed AF Form 3899
- How to print 3899 in Trac2es: Click PMR tab-click search PMR-search for pt using any identifier-click down carrot under action column-click report: 3899-select all pages-click view pages-print-ensure Physician signs and dates at bottom of page 1
- 3. Medications-if the medication does not state "AE stock" on PMR, the sending facility is responsible for suppling all medications needed for flight
- 4. Appropriate attire-No open toe shoes
- 5. Antihijack ALL patients and luggage
- 6. Medical personnel accompanying pt and NMAs for proper handoff/report



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