



QUINTE HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

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Surgical – Surgical Access to Urgent/Emergent Operating Room Resources

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1. POLICY

Access to ON-CALL “peg” time

Access to on-call peg time is for on-call surgeons only with the following three exceptions:

- a) That the surgeon is acting as a Surrogate for the on-call surgeon performing a sub-specialty surgical service with the consent and direction of the on-call surgeon
- b) That the surgeon is booking and operating on his/her own patient for a post-operative complication
- c) There is no on-call coverage provided by the service and an urgent class 1A or 1B case presents to the hospital emergency department. A non on-call surgeon from the speciality may volunteer and operate in support of patient safety and risk. This should occur in cases where the patient cannot be transferred to another facility safely and it is in the best interest of the patient or case not completed the day prior when speciality was on call due to time restrictions or bumping.
- d) A member of the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology operating on his/her own patient with an urgent classification of 1A, 1B, 1C or an elective section which has been bumped by a higher priority prior to 1800 hours; the commencement time of the divisions’ call.