CLINICAL DIRECTIVE 04/2014

FROM: Medical Director

TO: Call takers, Call Dispatchers, Control Supervisors, Control Managers

SUBJECT: Sudden Arrest Reset Button
During caller interrogation in Medical protocols, if the patient has either a cardiac or respiratory arrest the calltaker should utilise the Sudden Arrest Reset button. This will then give two call determinant options – 9 Echo or 9 Delta. In all cases, the call taker should select the 9 Echo option.

Please note: if dispatch code has already been generated prior to using the Sudden Arrest Reset button, please ensure a duplicate call is generated by you or a colleague to ensure CFR’s receive an alert.

RATIONALE:
A 9 Echo call determinant will ensure automatic dispatch of a Cardiac First Responder

EFFECTIVE FROM: December 11th 2014

EFFECTIVE TO: Indefinitely

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THIS DIRECTIVE:
Control Manager

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