



Referring for critical care support: best practice for best care (v1.1)

To get the right care for your patient consider the following:

1. Don't delegate to junior staff: consultant to consultant referrals are best
2. Be clear on what you are asking for: even if it is just another opinion
3. Consider the benefits and burdens of ICU for this person
4. What does the patient want? Speak to the patient or someone close to them

For more information: www.warwick.ac.uk/ICUdecisions

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FIGURE 15

A pocket-sized summary of the cognitive framework to act as an aide-mémoire.

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