

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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SUBJECT/TITLE: BLOOD GLUCOSE VALUES: NOTIFICATION OF MD

POLICY: Define the process of notifying the ED Attending of a patient's critical glucose result in Triage.

PURPOSE: To assure provider is made aware of critical glucose value resulted in Triage.

DEPARTMENTS: DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE (DEM)

DEFINITIONS: Critical glucose results of HHH or 450mg/dL or more.
Low glucose of less than 60mg/dL.

PROCEDURE: During the Triage process, if indicated, POCT glucose testing is conducted.

If results of glucose testing reveal a critical high HHH/450mg/dL, that result is documented using the glucometer system and on the ESI Triage form using the EMR system.

The action of the Triage RN would be to immediately bring the patient straight back to the treatment area.

The Triage RN notifies the Charge Nurse of the patient and the action taken.

The Triage or Charge Nurse immediately presents the Triage record to the ED Attending Physician and notifies him/her of the critical glucose value.

If results of glucose testing reveal a glucose less than 60mg/dl, that result is documented using the glucometer system and on the ESI Triage form using the EMR system.

The action of the Triage RN would be to immediately bring the patient straight back to the treatment area.

The Triage RN notifies the Charge Nurse of the patient and the action taken

The Triage or Charge Nurse immediately presents the Triage record to the ED Attending Physician and notifies him/her of the low glucose value.

Please refer to Point of Care Testing policy for quality and control.

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