



Practice Update

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Updates on Code Roles outside of the intensive care environment:

A message from the Resuscitation Committee

One of our performance improvement efforts is to decrease crowds in a code. You may have been a participant in a Dr. Blue drill on the floor to test our response. We are trying to accomplish:

- **Clearly defined roles** - take a role tag that the manager, charge RN, or admin rep may hand you, and if all roles are taken, leave the area. [Click here to view.](#)
- **Call out your role** when you enter the room. [Click here for roles and expectations.](#)
- **Good hand offs** from those in the room to those arriving. [Click here to see how hand-offs should occur.](#)
- **Sign-out** when you leave. [Click here to view.](#)

Unannounced Dr. Blues will continue to occur to reinforce these goals. When faced with an unannounced Dr. Blue drill on the floor, assume your role through the first dose of epi and participate in the debrief (total time = no longer than 15 minutes).

For questions about roles in a code, please contact Resuscitation Committee co-chairs, karen.mathias@childrensmn.org, david.hirschman@childrensmn.org or the resuscitation committee member for your care community.

