The Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine

ADVANCED CRITICAL CARE PRACTITIONERS (ACCP) CODE OF CONDUCT 2018

Pending formal regulation, trained Advanced Critical Care Practitioners (ACCPs) are expected to adhere to the code of conduct of their registering body. In addition, it is expected ACCPs:

- 1. Function at an advanced level of practice as part of the multidisciplinary team and determined by the competency framework (FICM ACCP Curriculum 2015).
- 2. Apply the principles of evidence-based practice to the management of the critically ill patient.
- 3. Be accountable for the quality of care you deliver to critically ill patients and their families in all respects.
- 4. Act as patient advocate, ensuring privacy, dignity and patients' rights are at the centre of care planning and delivery.
- 5. Work in collaboration with your colleagues to ensure the delivery of high quality, safe and compassionate healthcare and support.
- 6. Communicate effectively across occupational and organisational boundaries in the interests of the patient.
- 7. Be a role model within the multi-disciplinary team.
- 8. Maintain the knowledge and skills for safe and effective practice by continuing professional development as specified by FICM CPD requirements.
- 9. Work in association with, and under the supervision of, the consultant as an integral part of the critical care team.
- 10. Work in association with, and adhere to, the supervision requirements of the FICM.
- 11. Follow the law around mental capacity ensuring any actions for those lacking capacity are treated with their best interests at the centre of any decision making.
- 12. Respect and support the learning requirements of others at all times.
- 13. Seek for help from a suitably qualified and experienced healthcare professional to carry out any action or procedure that is beyond the limits of your competence. Raise concerns immediately if you are being asked to practise beyond your role, experience and training.
- 14. Adhere to the statutory requirements of Non-Medical Prescribing.
- 15. Understand the professional accountability and legal frameworks for advanced practice and raise any concerns through your organisational system seeking advice from the Faculty as required.