



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive



Air Ambulance Operations Notice 4/08

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Subject: Protocol for Activation of Recompression Chamber
for Diving Emergency

See Diagram attached

On receipt of call from Hospital Re Diving Emergency **initiating Ambulance Control** will;

Confirm level of care required

Level 1 Chamber

Level 2 / 3 Chamber

Establish Hospital Region

Contact UK Chamber and confirm availability
Provide patient details.
Plymouth 0044 1752 209999. [Out of Hours 0044 8702385001]

Southern Region

Northern Region

Contact; **Cork Ambulance Control 021 4546418** and confirm Chamber availability. Provide patient details

Contact; **Irish Coastguard Control, Dublin 01 6620922** and confirm Chamber availability. Provide patient details

Once chamber availability has been confirmed. **Initiating control to organise appropriate transport;**

- National Ambulance Service
- Irish Air Corps
- Irish Coastguard

Should primary chamber be unavailable contact secondary chamber **immediately.**

Advise chamber, via appropriate activating control and receiving Ambulance Control of ETA of Patient

Monitor call until completion

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