Inpatient “Here and Back” Procedures:

Effective immediately – for all patients being considered for “back and forth” procedures from outside institutions (not patients coming here for expected admission) the following will be in place at this time:

- All calls for these patients will continue through the transfer center
- The transfer center will connect the referring provider to the DH physician who will be performing the procedure
- For patient’s deemed appropriate (clinically stable, able to be transported, etc) for a “back and forth” procedure:
  - During regular business hours (Generally M-F, not holidays, not weekends)
    - These patients will be accepted directly to the procedural area with the accepting proceduralist serving as the attending of record
  - During non-business hours
    - Patients that \textbf{DO NOT} require general anesthesia can be accepted through the ED where the ED physician will be placed on the initial call requesting the procedure and will serve as the attending of record
    - Patients that \textbf{DO} require general anesthesia can be accepted directly to the procedural area ONLY when procedural locations have the staff/resources to safely receive AND recover the patient prior to transport back to the referring institution. If all of these elements cannot be met then the patient will need to be declined. If accepted, the proceduralist will serve as the attending of record in these cases.
- Serving as an attending of record consists of:
  - Managing patient’s clinical needs (including co-morbidities) while under the DH roof (with the exception when anesthesia is directly managing)
  - Assessing their stability and readiness to return
  - Arranging transport back to the referring facility including signout to receiving team

On Call Medical Director (OCMD) is available 24/7 to help troubleshoot (in real-time) any concerns/questions that arise with specific cases