

Additional File 3 - Tools to facilitate a successful ICU discharge

Tool	Purpose	All studies (n=47)	Adult (n=18)	Pediatric (n=6)	Neonatal (n=16)	Not reported (n=7)
Guideline or checklist	To standardize discharge planning and ensure all necessary steps are completed [1-21]	21 (44.7)	5 (27.8)	3 (50.0)	8 (50.0)	5 (71.4)
Transfer tool	A procedure used to facilitate an effective ICU transfer to a hospital ward [22-28]	7 (14.9)	4 (22.2)	1 (16.7)	1 (6.3)	1 (14.3)
Educational tool	Education for patients and/ or family prior to discharge [29-33]	4 (8.5)	1 (5.6)	1 (16.7)	3 (18.8)	0 (0)
Discharge assessment	Evaluate readiness for discharge; risk assessment [34-38]	4 (8.5)	2 (11.1)	0 (0)	3 (18.5)	0 (0)
Discharge letter	Provide summarized information about the patient's stay in the ICU [39-41]	3 (6.4)	2 (11.1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (14.3)
Transfer brochure	Provide information for family/patient about the transfer process [42, 43]	2 (4.3)	1 (5.6)	1 (16.7)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Prediction tool	Identify patients who may have adverse outcomes after discharge [44, 45]	2 (4.3)	2 (11.1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Triage model	Identify patients with greatest need of continued ICU care [46]	1 (2.1)	1 (5.6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Peer support program	Facilitate a space for family members and patients to connect about a shared experience [47]	1 (2.1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (6.3)	0 (0)

Note: Data are listed as n(%)

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