

Admission Criteria to USNS COMFORT as of 1 April 2020 (these criteria will evolve):

- Atrial fibrillation (new onset)
- Basic telemetry care not in exclusion criteria
- Congestive heart failure exacerbation
- Mild/moderate aortic stenosis
- Post cardiac catheterization care
- Temporary pacer care (cannot perform placement)
- Type 2 non-ST elevation myocardial infarction (type 2 NSTEMI)
- Empyema decortication
- Pericardial window
- Persistent pneumothorax
- Adrenal insufficiency/crisis
- Diabetes mellitus (type 1 or 2)
- Diabetic Ketoacidosis (DKA)
- Hyperglycemia
- Hyperglycemic hyperosmolar syndrome (HHS)
- Hyperthyroidism
- Hypoglycemia
- Hypothyroidism
- Myxedema coma
- Thyroid Storm
- Airway foreign body
- Deep neck infections
- Oral cancer - case by case, require discussion with Comfort ENT
- Tracheostomy
- Acute pancreatitis (non-biliary/no biliary stones)
- Acute cholecystectomy
- Anorectal abscess
- Appendicitis - situation dependent, limited by transport time and patient acuity
- Bowel Obstruction - situation dependent, limited by transport time and patient acuity
- Perforated viscus
- Ovarian torsion
- Pevic inflammatory disease (PID)
- Tubal-ovarian abscess (TOA)
- Deep venous thrombosis (DVT)
- Low risk pulmonary embolism (PE) - hemodynamically stable, not requiring thrombolytics
- Cellulitis not requiring surgery
- Community acquired pneumonia (CAP) - case by case, requires negative Covid-19 testing
Pyelonephritis
- Urinary tract infection/cystitis
- Acute kidney injury (AKI) without glomerulonephritis (GN)
- End-stage renal disease (ESRD) at Nephro discretion

- Hemodialysis - very limited capacity, requires Nephrology approval
- Meningitis - case specific, depends on etiology
- Migraine exacerbation/status migrainosus
- Multiple sclerosis (MS) exacerbation - imaging completed
- Recent stroke - imaging completed, already on treatment, awaiting disposition
- Seizures - must have already completed imaging and electroencephalogram (EEG)
- Anterior or posterior cervical fixation
- Acute increased intraocular pressure (IOP)
- Ruptured globe without enucleation
- Head/facial trauma
- Head/neck infection
- Abscess drainage/I&D
- Compartment syndrome
- Joint dislocations
- Open fracture
- Alcohol detoxification
- Delirium tremens (DT's)
- Overdose
- Rhabdomyolysis
- Hand/finger trauma
- Pedicle flaps for wound coverage
- Soft tissue trauma
- Asthma - requires negative Covid-19 testing
- Chronic intubated, ventilator-requiring patients where acute problem is either resolved or covered elsewhere on this list
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Exacerbation - requires negative Covid-19 testing
- Patients with tracheostomy
- Bleeding bladder
- Fournier's gangrene
- Scrotal abscess - situation dependent, limited by transport time and patient acuity
- Septic obstructive stone
- Testicular cancer
- Testicular torsion - situation dependent, limited by transport time and patient acuity
- Damage control vascular procedures (amputations, diabetic feet)
- Weg gangrene

Exclusion criteria (alternate care site cannot support at this time)

- COVID PUI or COVID positive (for admission to USNS Comfort, patients must have a documentation of a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours prior to admission)
- Any patient requiring heart catheterization
- Congestive heart failure (CHF) with ejection fraction (EF) <35%; no automatic implantable cardiac defibrillator (AICD)
- Severe aortic stenosis
- ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI)

- Type 1 non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction (type 1 NSTEMI)
- Unstable Angina/Aortic aneurysm (includes ascending or descending thoracic as well as abdominal)
- Aortic dissection
- Pituitary apoplexy
- Active gastrointestinal bleed
- Acute gastroenteritis/diarrhea
- Acute liver failure
- Choledocholithiasis/cholangitis
- Cirrhosis
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Non-emergent/elective surgery
- Immune thrombocytopenia purpura (ITP)
- Massive pulmonary embolism (PE)
- Patients requiring plasma exchange or plasmapheresis
- Severe anemia/hemorrhage/massive transfusion
- Thrombotic thrombocytopenia purpura (TTP)
- Any immunosuppressed patients (transplant recipients, AIDS, neutropenia, active chemotherapy patients, patients receiving immunosuppressive therapy)
- Bacteremia without cardiac imaging
- Clostridium difficile gastroenteritis (C-diff)
- Endocarditis
- Methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)
- Vancomycin resistant enterococcus (VRE)
- Glomerulonephritis
- Peritoneal dialysis
- Acute spinal cord injury
- Acute stroke (ischemic, hemorrhagic)
- Anything requiring electroencephalogram (EEG)
- Anything requiring magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)
- Cauda equina syndrome
- Frequent non-convulsive seizure
- New neuromuscular disease requiring electromyeloencephalogram (EMG)
- New-onset seizure without imaging and electroencephalogram (EEG)
- Status epilepticus
- All neurosurgical procedures
- Cervical fracture
- Craniotomy
- Intracranial hemorrhage
- Ventricular drains
- Known pregnancy
- Foreign body
- Ruptured globe with enucleation
- Any patient requiring trans-esophageal echocardiogram (embolic stroke, endocarditis)
- Syncope (unexplained fainting)
- NO TPN