

## IRISH NATIONAL EARLY WARNING SYSTEM

# ISBAR Communication Tool

<b>I Identify</b>	<p><b>Identify: You, Doctor, Patient</b> Is this Dr. _____? This is _____ (e.g. Mary, I am team leader on 7A) I am calling about _____ (e.g. Mr David Jones)</p>
<b>S Situation</b>	<p><b>Situation: Why are you calling?</b> I am calling because _____ (e.g. Total EWS of 6 or 3 in a single parameter) Resp Rate _____ Sats _____ O2 Delivery _____ Temp _____ Heart Rate _____ BP _____ Urinary Output _____ LOC _____ (only use abnormal reading initially)</p>
<b>B Background</b>	<p><b>Background: What is relevant background?</b> They are _____ years old Admitted for _____ Recent surgery or procedures _____ Relevant past medical/surgical history _____ They currently have _____ (e.g. IV fluids, Urinary Catheter, PCA)</p>
<b>A Assessment</b>	<p><b>Assessment: What do you think is the problem?</b> I think _____ (e.g. they are hypovolaemic) (you can skip this if they don't know what is wrong)</p>
<b>R Recommendation</b>	<p><b>Recommendation: What do you want them to do?</b> I would like you to _____ (e.g. come and review him please) Is there anything you would like me to do before you get here?</p>