EXHIBIT A
GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR TRANSFER

A. Procedures

1. Warren shall contact the Hospital’s Transfer Center regarding the management, consultation, and transport of patients requiring intermediate and/or intensive care services (i.e., telephone co-management or total management).

2. Prior to any transfer, Warren shall:
   a. Complete a transfer report in a form acceptable to the Hospital;
   b. Make every reasonable effort to contact the Hospital and follow the transfer protocol outlined by the Hospital;
   c. A copy of the transfer report shall accompany the patient to the Hospital. The transfer report shall include but not be limited to:
      (i) Current medical findings and diagnosis;
      (ii) Name and contact information (name, address, cell telephone number and home and business telephone number, and relationship to the patient) of the individual(s) best able to provide key clinical information, and consent for procedures;
      (iii) Rehabilitative potential and physical status;
      (iv) Emotional and ambulation status;
      (v) Summary of prior course of treatment, including recent physician progress notes;
      (vi) Current prescribed medications and dosage;
      (vii) Dietary needs and restrictions;
      (viii) Pertinent administrative information including Medicare/Medicaid status and third-party payer information; and
      (ix) Nursing information.
   d. In addition to the foregoing information, Warren shall provide the following information:
      (i) Whether the patient has executed an advance directive (i.e., a living will, durable power of attorney);
      (ii) If applicable and if known, the name, address and home and business telephone number of the patient's attorney-in-fact (financial and/or durable) and/or the patient's legal guardian;
      (iii) Name and telephone number of the patient's attending physician; and
      (iv) Such other pertinent information as the transferring institution may possess or the receiving institution may request.

3. Warren shall work closely with the Hospital and other designees of the Hospital to provide guidance, ongoing training and continuing medical education of physicians and
professional staff to applicable staff of Warren.

4. The Hospital agrees to accept referrals of patients from Warren provided that (a) appropriate accommodations are available at the Hospital; (ii) the patient satisfies the applicable requirements of the Hospital; and (iii) Hospital and Warren follow the agreed upon guidelines and procedures.

5. Patients transferred to Hospital will be promptly returned to Warren when the patient’s condition dictates the need for continued acute care services, in the Hospital’s reasonable discretion, and such services are within Warren’s capabilities, in Warren’s reasonable discretion.

6. The Hospital’s attending physician will provide reports of the patient’s condition and progress to the referring physician, as required. Sudden or unusual changes in the patient’s condition will be reported separately.