



The ER Brain Sheet — Night Shift Edition

Never lose a

One patient per sheet, everything you need to hand off without hunting: sticker space, vitals trend, meds, pending labs, tasks, and a read-back box for the 1900-0700 crowd.

Built by a 13-year ER night-shift nurse.

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The 3 a.m. Handoff Sheet

Fill one per p

Patient sticker area

Vitals trend

T HR BP RR T° SpO2 Pain

Date / shift (1900-0700)

Primary nurse / phone

Chief complaint

Arrival time / mode

PMHx / relevant hx

Allergies

Home meds (list)

Meds given this shift (dose / route / time)

IVs / lines / drips

Labs pending / ordered

Results to chase

Isolation

Code status

Precautions

Tasks for next nurse

Family updates

Dispo / plan

Verbal read-back (last 60 seconds)

Situation

Background

Action taken / needed

Read back ✓

Multi-patient Assignment

Eight rows —

Room / Pt	Chief complaint / hx	Vitals / IVs	Tasks	Notes

Handoff Quick Notes

The short version

Don't forget

Bed / patient / why they're here

Before you clock out

- Report given to oncoming nurse — name noted
- Code status and isolation confirmed on every patient
- Pending labs chased / handed off
- Family or caregiver updates documented
- Tasks that can wait are written down, not held in my head

Night note: if it matters at 3 a.m., it belongs on the sheet — not in a sticky note on the monitor.