CHAPERONE USE IN MEDICAL PRACTICE

The presence of a chaperone was originally intended to protect female patients from inappropriate advances from male doctors. However, in this current medicolegal environment, its use has been extended to minimize the risk of patients accusing doctors of any kind of improper behaviour. Hence chaperone use is a vital part of safe medical practice.

By order from the Director of ICU, all ICU doctors (male or female) must have a chaperone present during clinical examinations of all patients (male or female).