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## PURPOSE

This defines the types of patients appropriate for admission to Klatskin Medical Service

## APPLICABILITY

Yale New Haven Hospital: Emergency Department YSC & SRC.

## GUIDELINE

1. The following patients **SHOULD** be admitted to the Klatskin Service:
  - a. Any patient admitted for decompensated cirrhosis (encephalopathy, ascites requiring LVP, renal injury), especially if in evaluation or listed for transplant.
  - b. Any patient with the main reason for admission severe liver disease (e.g. acute liver injury, severe acute alcoholic hepatitis).
2. The following patients **SHOULD NOT** be admitted to the Klatskin Service:
  - a. Biliary obstruction requiring ERCP if the patient does not have underlying decompensated cirrhosis as above.
  - b. Alcoholic liver disease (except severe acute alcoholic hepatitis) if the patient does not have underlying decompensated cirrhosis as above.
  - c. Patient with well-compensated cirrhosis (no ascites, encephalopathy, jaundice or liver cancer) admitted for a non-liver issue (e.g. r/o MI), even if previously seen in Transplant.
  - d. Best practice is to discuss these patients with the Klatskin attending