

# □ Neurocritical

Neurocritical is an adjective referring to patients, conditions, or care related to critical illness involving the nervous system, particularly in the context of neurocritical care units (Neuro-ICUs).

□ Formal definition: Neurocritical: Pertaining to the management, monitoring, and treatment of patients with life-threatening neurological or neurosurgical conditions requiring intensive care.

□ Examples of neurocritical conditions: Traumatic brain injury (TBI)

Subarachnoid or intracerebral hemorrhage

Large ischemic strokes with cerebral edema

Status epilepticus

Postoperative care following major neurosurgical procedures

Neuroinfectious complications with systemic instability

✚ Related term: Neurocritical care = a multidisciplinary subspecialty that combines principles of critical care and neurology/neurosurgery to treat acutely ill patients with complex brain or spinal cord disorders.

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