NURSE - SC. 1

INT. NURSES STATION- DAY

Dr. Coogan walks through the ER carrying a COKE and a CUP OF COFFEE. He comes to the desk and greets NURSE CINDY. He gives her the coffee.

DR. COOGAN

Caffeine break!

CINDY

What do you have against coffee anyway?

DR. COOGAN

Stunts my hair growth.

CINDY

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiight.

She smiles, hands him a chart.

CINDY (CONT'D)

You'll be happy to know this one's yours. A walk in.

DR. COOGAN

What's the complaint?

CINDY

Let me know when you figure that out, will you?

NURSE - SC. 2

INT.E.R. RECEPTION DESK -- DAY

Paramedic Scott enters the same way his wife Penny was wheeled in - this is familiar turf. He's intercepted by the Nurse, Andrea.

ANDREA

Did anyone tell you what Crawford was calling about?

SCOTT

No. What?

ANDREA

Penny's in cardiac arrest.

SCOTT

Don't joke with me, Andrea. That's not funny.

ANDREA

I wish I was joking. She's in cardiac arrest, Scott. They're working on her right now.

Scott studies Andrea for a beat, then turns and heads straight for the trauma bay. Andrea goes with him.

SCOTT

Tell me everything. I want to know.

ANDREA

She's gone into P.E.A. They're not sure why, but they're doing everything they can.

SCOTT

(grasping at straws)
Penny's healthy. This is nuts.

ANDREA

Why don't you wait out here, Scott.

SCOTT

I can't... she needs me.

ANDREA

She's sedated, Scott. And you need time to process all this.

He nods... knows she's right.

ANDREA (CONT'D)

I promise I'll keep you posted. Go sit, sweetie.

Shell-shocked, Scott slowly moves toward the nurses station. Andrea watches him go, her heart breaking.

NURSE - SC 3

INT. E.R. TRAUMA BAY -- DAY

The patient is gasping for air. NURSE SAM helps Dr. Crawford suction blood from the patient's mouth before it suffocates him. She's in the zone... focused and on task.

DOCTOR CRAWFORD

Let's give him an amp of epinephrine then an amp of atropine. Vitals?

Sam checks the monitor while preparing the I.V. infusion.

NURSE SAM

Heart's racing, doc. 135-140. BP's 60 over 30.

DOCTOR CRAWFORD

Alright. Has he got any family here, do you know?

NURSE SAM

Sister's in the waiting room. One amp epinephrine given.

DOCTOR CRAWFORD

Alright. Push the atropine and then see if you can get us some more help.

NURSE SAM

Okay. You want me to call for the sister?

DOCTOR CRAWFORD

Not yet. We're gonna need to intubate. Let's push 20 milligrams of Etomidate and 100 milligrams of succinylcholine.

NURSE SAM

Got it. 20 milligrams of Etomidate and 100 milligrams of succinylcholine.

The patient suddenly goes into CARDIAC ARREST!

NURSE SAM (CONT'D) He's coding doctor! No pulse!