



**Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation  
Center**

**DEPARTMENT OF NURSING  
INTENSIVE CARE UNIT  
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>ICU CAMERA MONITORING SYSTEM</b>	<b>Policy No.:</b>	<b>ICU011</b>
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**Policy:**

The function of the camera monitoring system will be for the maximum observation of patients in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). This allows patients to be in the line of sight as specified in the California Code of Regulations Title 22, 70499.

**Procedure:**

1. Physicians, Nurses, Licensed Independent Practitioners, Nursing Attendants, Unit Support Staff, and Unit Clerks are authorized to observe the patient care video computer monitors.
2. Individuals observing patient video monitors will be viewing patient activity to ensure safety.
3. For privacy and confidentiality, no patient identifiers will be viewable on the video camera computer, monitors will not be viewable to other patients or visitors and the black-out setting may be used while the nurse is at the bedside providing care.
4. Upon admission to the ICU, the admitting nurse will educate the patient and family regarding the use of the video monitoring system. Signs are posted in each surveillance patient room for additional information

**Downtime Procedure:**

1. In the event that the patient video camera monitoring system becomes disabled, Information Systems will be notified and staff will be stationed in or near patient rooms to ensure a direct line of sight until the system becomes operational.

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**REFERENCES:**

Social Security, California Code of Regulations Title 22, Division 5, Chapter 1, Article 6, 70499 - Intensive Care Service Space

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