

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER  
DEPARTMENT OF ANESTHESIOLOGY  
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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**SUBJECT/TITLE: 005-SCOPE AND LEVEL OF SERVICES**

**POLICY:** The Department of Anesthesiology shall provide services at Olive View – UCLA Medical Center as outlined in this policy.

**PURPOSE:** To define the scope and level of services provided by the Department of Anesthesiology at Olive View UCLA Medical Center.

**DEPARTMENTS: ANESTHESIOLOGY**

**PROCEDURE:** 1. Perioperative Care for patients having surgery and invasive procedures.

A. Prior to Anesthesia

- I. The pre-anesthesia evaluation will be completed and documented prior to the inpatient or outpatient surgery or procedure requiring anesthesia services<sup>1</sup>. Through the pre-Anesthesia consultation the Anesthesiologists is able to discuss anesthetic choices for surgery.

B. Intraoperative Care

- I. Intraoperative Anesthesia services (including pain relief, airway management, regional anesthesia, during surgery and procedures).
- II. Provide continual medical assessment of the patient.
- III. Monitor, assess and adjust the patient’s vital life functions, including heart rate and rhythm, breathing, blood pressure, body temperature and body fluid balance.
- IV. Control the patient’s level of consciousness to make conditions ideal for a safe and successful surgery.

C. Postoperatively

- I. The Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) or “Recovery Room” The Anesthesiologist shall assess activity level, adequacy of breathing, circulation, level of consciousness and oxygen saturation. Pain control is optimized. The anesthesiologist decides when the patient has recovered enough to be sent home following outpatient surgery or has been stabilized sufficiently to be transferred to the

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appropriate inpatient unit.

2. Anesthesia services for patients in the Labor and Delivery suite.
  - I. Consultation for pain relief during labor and delivery, including the administration of local anesthetics and/or narcotics via spinal or epidural routes.
  - II. The administration of anesthesia for surgery in the Labor and Delivery Suite, including Cesarean Section, Post-partum Tubal Ligation, repair of birth related complications and Cerclage, D & C, D & E.
3. Anesthesia services for patients having procedures in locations outside the Operating Room.
4. Postoperative acute pain management in selected patients.
5. Emergency airway management in other hospital locations, including airway management during Code Blue.

Note: In certain emergency situations, patient care may take precedence over documentation. In these situations, the completion and documentation of the medical record shall be completed as soon as possible as patient care allows.	
References: American Society of Anesthesiologists; CMS Condition of Participation: Anesthesia Services	
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