

VALLEYCARE
OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER/HEALTH CENTERS
ANGIOGRAPHY SUITE/CARDIOLOGY DIVISION
POLICY & PROCEDURE
PACEMAKER/AICD IMPLANTATION

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SUBJECT/TITLE: **ADMISSION OF CARDIOLOGY PATIENTS TO THE ANGIOGRAPHY SUITE**

POLICY: All Cardiology patients arriving in the Angiography Suite will undergo the admission procedure that shall be performed by a registered nurse.

PURPOSE: To facilitate implementing and communicating the plan of care.

DEPARTMENTS: All

DEFINITIONS: To ensure accurate identification of the patient, adequacy of the preoperative patient preparation, and completeness of the documentation. To assess the patient's actual and potential health problems.

PROCEDURE: **I. Initial Interview:**

- A. The identity of all patients admitted for surgery must be verified.
- B. It is the responsibility of the nurse caring for the patient to verify the identity by:
 - 1. Asking patient to state his or her name
 - 2. Checking identification bracelet for patient name and hospital unit number.
 - 3. Comparing name on ID bracelet with patient chart and addressograph plate reporting any discrepancies to appropriate supervisory personnel.
- C. The physician's name and procedure to be performed must be verified with the patient:
 - 1. When patient is unable to verify, this information should be verified with the physician.

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II. Physician Assessment:

- A. Physician assessment should include:
1. Information regarding patient/family previous medical history of:
 - a. Cardiac disease
 - b. Diabetes
 - c. Respiratory disease
 - d. Previous surgical procedure(s)
 2. Information regarding patient/family allergies to medications or food; document any allergies.
 3. Physical assessment of:
 - a. Skin integrity
 - b. Vision and hearing (any appliance used)
 - c. Range of motion (ROM) of all extremities
 - d. Integrity of any vascular access lines, urinary drainage

III. Nursing Assessment:

- A. Nursing Assessment should include:
1. Information regarding when patient last ate or drank anything
 2. Presence of any jewelry and/or valuables; disposition of valuables is documented.
 3. Presence of dentures, loose or capped teeth, and contact lens a. if dentures or lenses are removed, disposition is documented
 4. Presence and location of any metal prosthesis (pacemakers, joints)
 5. Effects of any preoperative medications given
 6. Psychosocial assessment of:
 - a. Emotional status
 - b. Mental status
 - c. Language spoken

IV. Chart Assessment:

- A. Chart assessment should include:
1. Validity of consents
 - a. Appropriate date
 - b. Appropriate signature(s) , witnesses
 - c. Correct procedure

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2. Laboratory reports
 - a. CBC, chemistry (if applicable)
 - b. Urinalysis (if applicable)
 - c. EKG, CXR, (if applicable)
 - d. Blood coagulation studies (if applicable)
3. Type and crossmatch (when necessary)

V. Communication and Documentation

- A. All chart discrepancies should be communicated to:
 1. Appropriate member of the Cardiology Team
 - ii. Charge nurse
 - iii. Physician
 2. All actual patient problems should be communicated to all members of the Cardiology Team.
 3. Documentation:
 1. Documentation should reflect the assessment and must include:
 - a. General condition of patient on arrival to the Angiography Suite.
 - b. Status of therapy in progress
 - c. Signature of nurse admitting the patient

VI. Forms Utilized for Documentation and Data Collection

1. Forms utilized:
 - a. Pre-Procedure History and Physical Record
 - b. History and Physical for Surgical Service
 - c. Day Surgery Unit Admitting, Anesthesia Pre-and Post-Operative Physician's Order
 - d. Department of Anesthesiology Preoperative Evaluation and H & P
 - e. Nursing Progress Notes
 - f. Nursing Same Day Surgery Follow-up
 - g. Nursing Pre-Operative Surgical Checklist
 - h. Multidisciplinary Pain Management Form
 - i. Perioperative Patient Care Plan

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References:	
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