

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

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SUBJECT/TITLE: OPERATING ROOM ATTIRE - PERSONNEL

POLICY: All persons who enter the semi-restricted and restricted areas of the Cardiology Angiography Suite while a pacemaker is being implanted must wear surgical attire intended for use within the suite.

PURPOSE: To maintain environmental control and promote a high level of cleanliness and hygiene within the Cardiology Angiography Suite.

DEPARTMENTS: All

DEFINITIONS: Surgical attire provides a barrier between personnel and between patient and patient and personnel, through which contamination may pass. Surgical attire also provides protection for personnel against exposure to infectious microorganisms and hazardous materials.

All personnel entering semi-restricted and restricted areas of the Cardiology Angiography Suite during implantation of pacemaker shall be in operating room attire.

- Operating room attire consists of standard multi-use fabric, limited-use non-woven pantsuits, or disposable paper fabric and a low-lint surgical hat or hood. Cardiology Angiography Suite attire during pacemaker placement, which is soiled or wet, shall be changed. All reusable attire shall be laundered after each use, by a laundry facility approved and monitored by the Hospital. OR attire shall be stored in an enclosed area.

All head and facial hair, including sideburns and necklines, is to be covered while in restricted areas of the surgical suite.

- The surgical hat or hood is to be clean, free of lint and confine the hair. The surgical hat or hood is changed daily. Reusable hats or hoods shall be laundered after daily use.

All personnel entering the restricted area of the Cardiology Angiography Suite during pacemaker placement are to wear closed-toe shoes.

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- Shoe covers shall be worn unless shoes are used specifically in this area only.
- When shoe covers are worn, they are to be changed whenever torn, soiled or wet. They are to be changed whenever leaving or entering the semi-restricted area.

All Surgical Services personnel shall wear high filtration masks in the surgical suites.

- Masks shall be worn at all times in the surgical suites and other areas where open sterile supplies or scrubbed personnel are located. Masks shall cover the nose and mouth, be secured in a manner that prevents venting, and shall be discarded whenever removed.

All personnel entering the semi-restricted and restricted areas of the Cardiology Catheterization Lab during pacemaker placement should confine or remove all jewelry and watches.

- All jewelry (rings and watches) is to be removed prior to hand washing. All other jewelry shall be totally confined within scrub attire or removed.

Fingernails should be kept short, clean and healthy.

- Artificial nails should not be worn.

Protective barriers should be made available to reduce the risk of exposure to potentially infective materials.

- Gloves should be selected and worn, depending on the task to be performed, as follows:
 - Sterile gloves must be worn when performing sterile procedures.
 - Un-sterile gloves may be worn for other tasks. Gloves should be changed between patient contacts or after contact with contaminated items when the task is completed.
 - Surgical or examination gloves should be changed – not washed – between patient contacts.
 - Hands should be washed after removing gloves.

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References:	
2008 AORN Standards and Recommended Practices	
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