

PRE-SURGERY ASSESSMENT OF PATIENT BY THEATRE STAFF

DATE OF VISIT:

OPERATION DATE:

42055-014-024

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST:

CHECK PATIENT'S ARMBAND WITH THEATRE LIST

NAME: Ask patient/ward staff/parent

Hospital Number

Date of birth

Allergies

NO YES

Specify

Have the following been removed

Jewellery

YES

NO

N/A

Hair Accessories

Prosthesis

Has consent form been signed?

Has premedication been given?

Has the patient been fasting?

YES

NO

AS - ROYAL

If 'Yes' specify

Check

Has patient been in theatre before?

YES/NO

Patient's Parent's understanding of sequence of events

Specified anxieties expressed

Has patient any problems with:

1. Hearing

2. Vision

3. Speech

4. Mobility

5. Weight

6. Condition of skin

Note any other information relevant to preventing complications

Signature

RBHSC CARE PLAN FOR PATIENTS UNDERGOING SURGERY

DATE :
 OPERATION PERFORMED :
 TYPE OF ANAESTHETIC :

POTENTIAL PROBLEMS	AIM OF CARE	NURSING ACTION	SIGNATURE	COMMENTS/EVALUATION	SIGNATURE
<u>Communications</u> Anxiety due to illness and pending surgery	To express anxiety	Receive Patient, Assess perceived anxiety & anxiety of parents if present. Consider and respond to needs. Stay with patient.	<i>Devere</i>	Very anxious child Accompanied by mother Both comforted & reassured by nursing staff	<i>Devere</i>
<u>Breathing</u> Airway obstruction	Maintenance of clear airway	Have all necessary equipment available. Check for loose teeth. Report to anaesthetist during Anaesthetic procedure.	<i>Devere</i>	Anaesthetic equipment available & in working order Anaesthetist assisted	<i>Devere</i>
Excess loss of body fluids	Maintenance of fluid and blood volume	Monitor, record and report intake and output, if necessary. Weigh swabs & record & report to anaesthetist if necessary			
<u>Express sexuality</u> Potential loss of dignity	Maintain dignity	Expose only as necessary	<i>Devere</i>	Dignity maintained	<i>Devere</i>
<u>Maintaining Safe Environment</u> Incorrect identification Incorrect surgery performed	Correct identify patient and proposed surgery	Ensure checking procedure is complete and relevant details recorded and completed	<i>Devere</i>	Carefully procedure followed No problems identified	<i>Devere</i>

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Risk of injury associated with transfer	Safe transfer	At least 2 persons to assist and ensure brakes are on	<i>[Signature]</i>	Supply transferred brakes applied	<i>[Signature]</i>
Injury due to unsafe positioning	Will not sustain injury	Position appropriate for Anaesthesia and surgery	<i>[Signature]</i>	Positioned supine	<i>[Signature]</i>
Injury from use of diathermy	Will not sustain injury	Apply diathermy indifferent electrode appropriately. Correct size plaque applied to machine. Make sure skin is not in contact with metal	<i>[Signature]</i>	Plaque applied to lower back/buttocks	<i>[Signature]</i>
Skin damage	Minimise the risk of skin damage	Assess skin condition - 1 Before surgery 2 After surgery	<i>[Signature]</i>	Appears intact	<i>[Signature]</i>
Risk of retention of foreign body	Ensure Foreign body is not retained	Check and record all swabs needles and instruments. Report count to Surgeon	<i>[Signature]</i>	swabs intact	<i>[Signature]</i>
Risk of infection	Minimise the risk of infection	Ensure aseptic techniques and sterility are maintained	<i>[Signature]</i>	capsules maintained	<i>[Signature]</i>
Hyper or Hypo Thermia	Minimise risk of unnecessary Heat	Maintain adequate theatre temperature. Use heating aids as necessary	<i>[Signature]</i>	patient's temperature within normal limits	<i>[Signature]</i>

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POTENTIAL PROBLEMS	AIM OF CARE	NURSING ACTION	EVALUATION	SIGNATURE
Risk of obstruction	To maintain clear airway	Nurse in semi-prone position or similar recovery position, according to type of surgery procedure. Nurse beside O ₂ & suction. Emergency equipment and drugs at hand	Clear airway maintained	S. P. Meach
Risk of shock	Early detection & swift action	To observe closely, maintaining 1/4 hourly T.P.R. Blood Pressure, colour, sweating and drowsiness. Careful maintenance of body temperature with aids, e.g. blankets before admission and use of warm gangee. To observe administration of I.V. fluids as prescribed, checking site 1/4 hourly. Observation of any drains and catheter due to surgery	Observations recorded from monitor	S. P. Meach
Pain	Control pain	Early detection of pain & discomfort before reaching peak. Administration of analgesia as prescribed	Appears comfortable Morphine infusion in progress	S. P. Meach
Risk of inadequate communication	To provide complete report of patient in Theatre	To provide brief analysis of anaesthetic surgery recovery and pain relief procedures	Full report given to ward staff	S. P. Meach
Fretfulness	Allay anxiety	Keep patient painfree and comfortable. Reassure patient by verbal and non-verbal communication. Allow patient to return to parents as soon as possible	Patient settled - comforted & returned to mother's side	S. P. Meach