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Patient

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



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Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Allergies with reaction type: \_\_\_\_\_

**MANAGEMENT OF INTRATHECAL/CONTINUOUS EPIDURAL ANALGESIA**  
**RX = EPI & POSTEPI**

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1. Anesthesiologist to call \_\_\_\_\_ Pager # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
2. Call only anesthesiologist for additional pain/sedative orders during monitoring period.
3. Monitor B/P, pulse, sedation level, respiratory rate and motor ability per policy and procedure.
4. Maintain IV access and monitoring for (Fentanyl 4 hrs Sufentanil 4 hrs, PF Morphine 24 hrs) following:
  - a) termination of infusion of epidural narcotic or
  - b) last bolus dose of epidural narcotic or
  - c) last dose of intrathecal narcotic.
5. Assess Leg Raise ability q 4 hrs. If unable to lift leg and pain score <4/10 reduce epidural infusion by 2-3 ml/hr.
6. Turn epidural off @ \_\_\_\_ hrs, \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_.
7. Call anesthesiologist when new/additional anticoagulant orders are received.
8. If patient has indwelling intrathecal/continuous epidural catheter and DVT prophylaxis is ordered, auto substitute heparin 5000 units subq BID.
9. O2 \_\_\_\_ L NC continuous, Keep SpO2 > \_\_\_\_%, Discontinue \_\_\_\_\_
10. Pulse oximetry: \_\_\_\_ monitor continuously  
 \_\_\_\_ monitor intermittently, Q \_\_\_\_ hrs.  
 Discontinue \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ if RA SpO2 > \_\_\_\_%.

**INTRATHECAL** \_\_\_\_\_ given @ \_\_\_\_\_

**EPIDURAL: mix in 250 ML PFNS**

\_\_\_\_ Bupivacaine \_\_\_\_\_ %  
 \_\_\_\_ Ropivacaine \_\_\_\_\_ %  
 \_\_\_\_ Fentanyl \_\_\_\_\_ mcg/ml  
 \_\_\_\_ PF Morphine \_\_\_\_\_ mcg/ml  
 \_\_\_\_ Sufentanil \_\_\_\_\_ mcg/ml  
 \_\_\_\_ PF Hydromorphone \_\_\_\_\_ mcg/ml

**PCEA:** \_\_\_\_ ml-Lock out \_\_\_\_ mins-Max dose/hr \_\_\_\_

**FOR INADEQUATE ANALGESIA**

Bolus/pump \_\_\_\_ ml q \_\_\_\_ hrs  
(pain score >5) same concentration

Fentanyl Epidural bolus \_\_\_\_ mcg/\_\_\_\_ ml in  
PFNS every \_\_\_\_ hrs, PRN

\_\_\_\_ PCA IV - see routine orders (ICU only)

\_\_\_\_ IV push PRN

**CONTINUOUS INFUSION:** \_\_\_\_\_ ml/hr

**PRIOR TO DISCONTINUING EPIDURAL INFUSION**

Range \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ IV PCA \_\_\_\_ Morphine \_\_\_\_ Demerol \_\_\_\_ Dilaudid  
Give \_\_\_\_\_ bolus/epidural catheter

Initials \_\_\_\_\_

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**NURSING INTERVENTIONS**

Call anesthesiologist for:

RR <10 & sedation level 3/4

- RR < 8 & administer oxygen/mask @ 10 L/min
- Inadequate analgesia
- Technical problems w/cath
- Persistent Motor Block or failed attempt at Physical Therapy
- Hypotension
- Numbness above nipples (T4)
- 1. Obtain ABG for sedation level 3 or 4
- 2. Administer oxygen/mask 10 L/min
- 3. Implement Naloxone Administration Protocol for sedation level @ 4 and/or <8
- 4. Straight cath every 6 hrs. If repeat cath needed insert foley
- 5. DC foley(4-24hr)post DC Epidural

**MANAGEMENT OF SIDE EFFECTS**

4. KEEP NARCAN PACKET IN PYXIS (4-24 hr) post-epidural/intrathecal monitoring ceases

Pruritus:  
 Benadryl \_\_\_\_mg IV/IM q \_\_\_\_ prn itching  
 Narcan \_\_\_\_mg IV/SQ q \_\_\_\_ prn itching  
 Nalbuphine \_\_\_\_mg IV q \_\_\_\_ prn itching

Nausea:  
 Reglan \_\_\_\_mg IV q \_\_\_\_ prn nausea  
 Nalbuphine \_\_\_\_mg IV q \_\_\_\_ prn nausea  
 Zofran \_\_\_\_mg IV q \_\_\_\_ prn nausea

Sedation/Respiratory depression management: Notify physician \

Naloxone (Narcan) if respiratory rate is < 8 minute; dilute naloxone 0.4 mg in 9 ml of NS, give 2 ml (0.08 mg) slow IV push q 2 minutes until patient is responsive. Respiratory depression may reoccur, monitor patient and repeat naloxone q 2 minutes until patient is responsive (opioid duration may exceed the naloxone duration).

Provider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_