

A STAR IS BORN



Health
Western NSW
Local Health District



Our Health District
Living Well Together

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Conception

(existing issue)



- Analysis of Rapid Response data revealed:
-  Number of rapid response calls for **post op Hypotension**
-  Number of patients needing to be t/f to HDU
- **Accounted for > 40% of total monthly Rapid Response calls**

Gestation/ Labour – A Star is Born.....


(Planning and Implementation)

- Working party collaboration
- Developed an easy to follow pathway
- Education – N/staff and anaesthetics
- Trial period – 100 patients
- Review process / audit/ address raised issues

This patient is at risk of post-operative hypotension.

In the event of post-operative hypotension (systolic BP < 100mmHg) on the first post-operative day*, please follow these standing orders.

***Until 0800hrs the day after surgery**



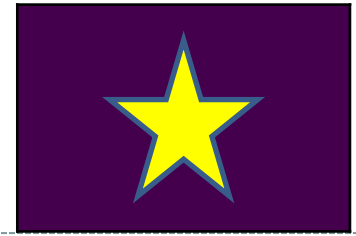
DATE OF SURGERY


<p>1. Is Systolic BP < 100mmHg? Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Give 500ml Hartman's or 0.9% Saline STAT → Call Ward RMO on (Write contact No.)</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: green;">RMO must review within 30 minutes</p> <p>Prescribed by.....</p> <p>Nurse Signature..... Checked by.....</p> <p>Time commenced.....</p>	<p>RMO Review</p> <p>Sign.....</p> <p>Time.....</p> <p>Action performed:</p>
<p>Following the first bolus</p> <p>2. Is Systolic BP < 100mmHg? Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Give another 500ml Hartman's or 0.9% Saline STAT → Call Anaesthetic Re on..... (Write contact No.)</p> <p>Prescribed by.....</p> <p>Nurse Signature..... Checked by.....</p> <p>Time Commenced.....</p>	<p>Anaesthetic Reg</p> <p>Sign.....</p> <p>Time.....</p> <p>Action performed:</p>
<p>3. If this patient remains hypotensive</p> <p>Call the on call Anaesthetic registrar to review within 30mins on (Write contact No.)</p> <p>Time called..... Nurse making the call.....</p> <p style="color: green;">If response time > 30 minutes, call a Rapid Response.</p>	<p>Anaesthetic Reg</p> <p>Sign.....</p> <p>Time.....</p> <p>Action performed:</p>

For all other red alerts, or if you are concerned, call a Rapid Response

Toddler Year

(Outcomes, Sustainability in Embedding Change)



-  Number of RR calls for post op hypotension
- Ward nurses like the autonomy to initiate treatment
- The Pathway has been revised and improved
- Now has document approval
- Is sustainable, easy, prompts intervention and has applicability for other sites

Key Take Home Message



- **Analysing data identifies opportunity for improvement.**
- **Opportunity to ‘do better’ drives innovative solutions to local issues.**
- **Local issues may not be so local – so spread the word and adapt the wheel.**

Thank you



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