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**PURPOSE:**


To ensure continuous care of Post CT Scan/ MRI/ Ultrasound patient until patient has fully recovered from the sedation given or until criteria for discharge has been met.

**SCOPE:**

Applies to all Post-Anesthesia Care Unit staff, Department of Imaging Sciences staff of Dr. Pablo O. Torre Memorial Hospital

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:**


Attending Physician, Anesthesiologist, Registered Nurse, and Technician

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### **PROCEDURE:**

- 1 Assess patient using to the adopted criteria.
- 2 Observe for post-operative complications such as hypotension, bradycardia, bradypnea, hypothermia/ hyperthermia, postoperative nausea and vomiting, or any other untoward signs and symptoms.
- 3 Evaluate for signs of recovery from anesthesia such as stable vital signs, patient is fully awake, oriented, able to breathe properly without of less oxygen support, and pain-free.
- 4 Ensure that the criteria for discharge are met and patient is cleared by AROD.
- 5 For Inpatients:
  - 5.1 Endorse to ward/ ICU nurse in-charge
  - 5.2 Inform the nurse in-charge about the procedure done to the patient, post procedure instructions and the date of release of the result for the diagnostic/ therapeutic procedure performed.
  - 5.3 Transfer to room per stretcher/ patient's bed
- 6 For Outpatients:
  - 6.1 Patient should be cleared from the Billing Section with confirmation
  - 6.2 Discharge medication prescriptions are given to the patient/companion.
  - 6.3 Patient discharge teaching and written instructions are provided to the patient and/or companion.
  - 6.4 Inform patient/ companion on the expected date for the releasing of result of the diagnostic/ therapeutic procedure performed.
  - 6.5 Patient is discharged with a responsible adult.
  - 6.6 Patient is discharged per wheelchair and escorted out of the hospital.



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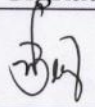
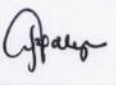
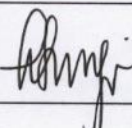

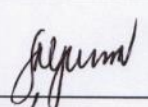
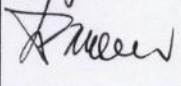
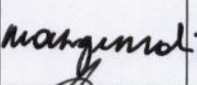
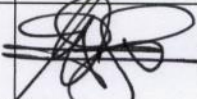
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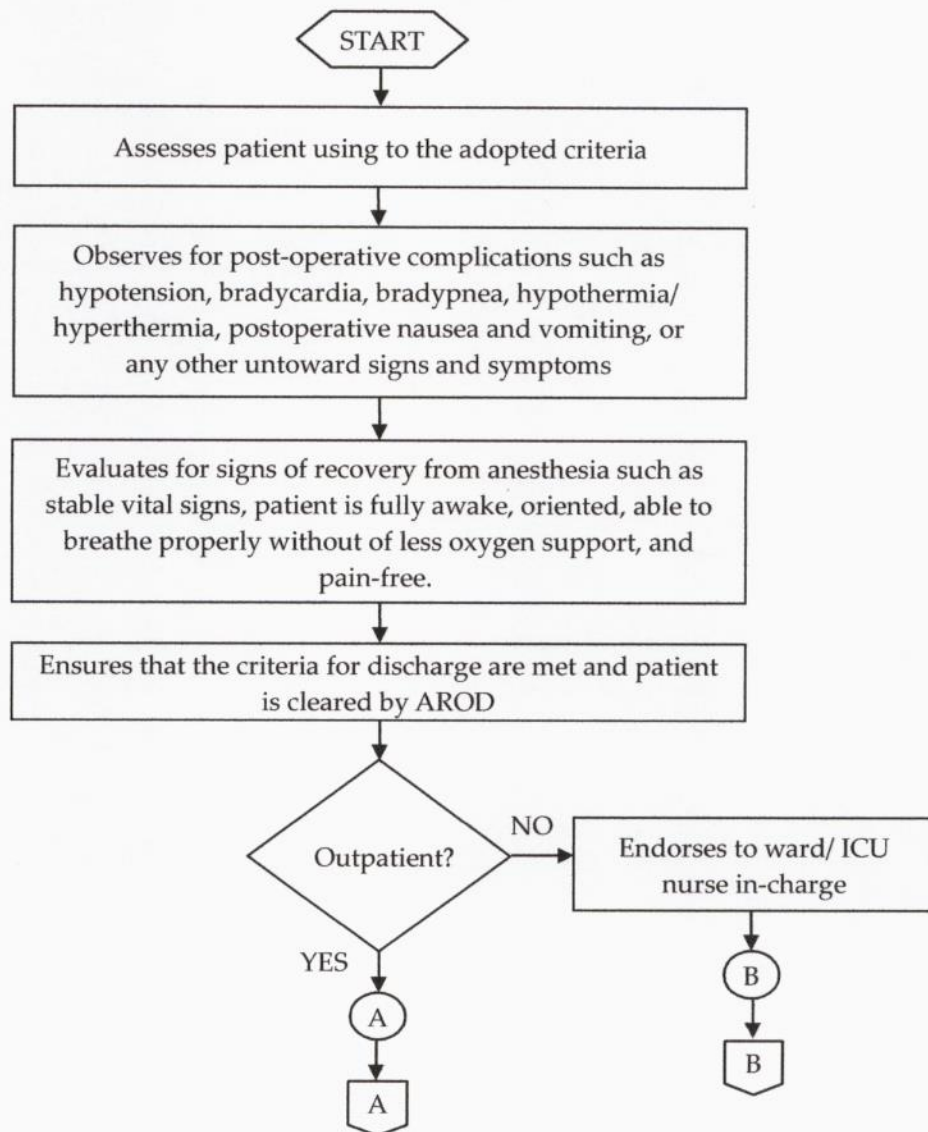


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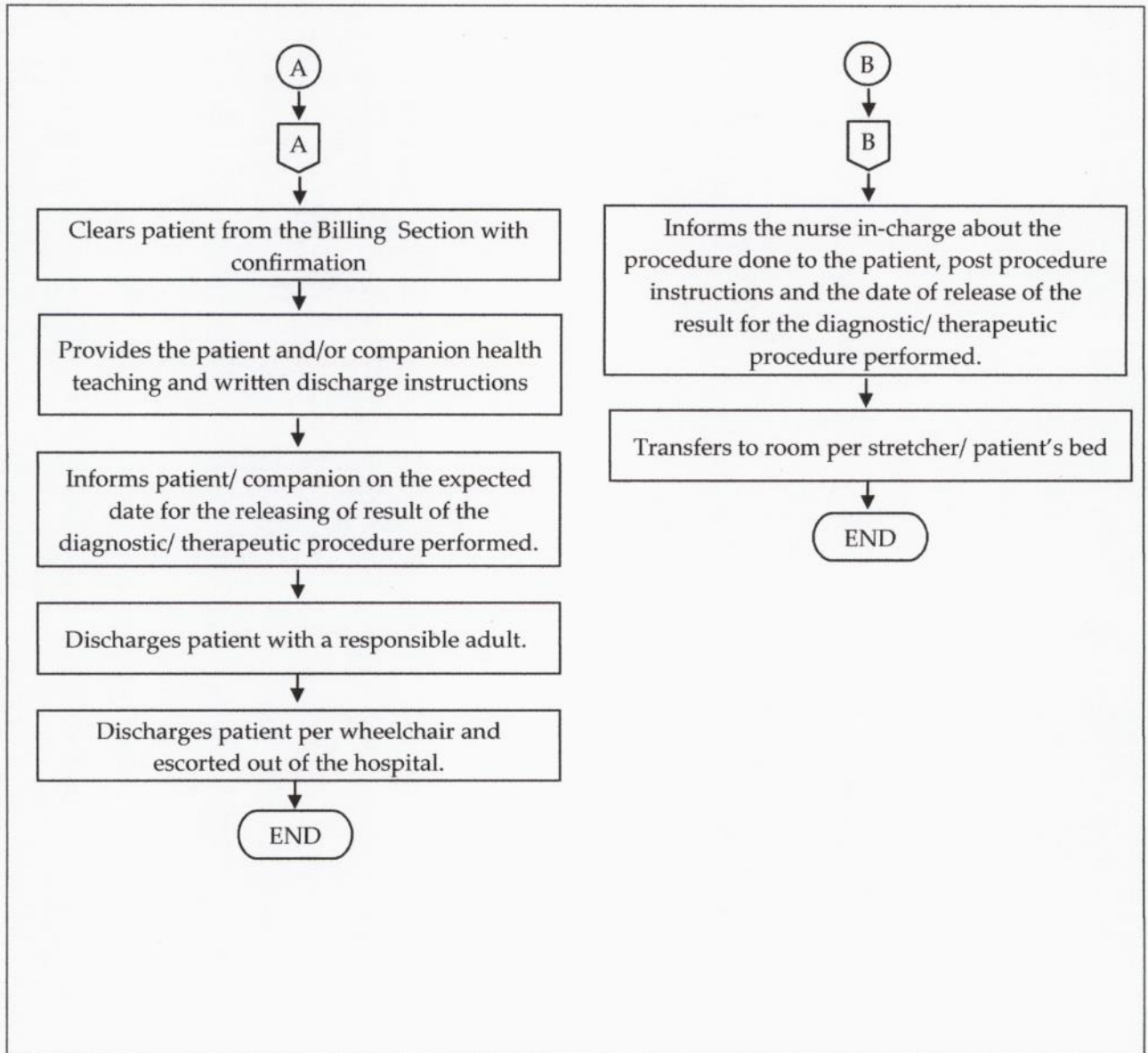





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
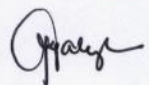
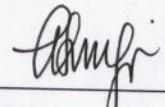
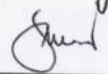
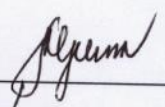

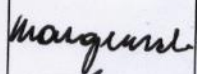
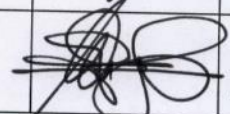
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5. For Inpatients: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5.1. Endorse to ward/ ICU nurse in-charge</li> <li>5.2. Inform the nurse in-charge about the procedure done to the patient, post procedure instructions and the date of release of the result for the diagnostic/ therapeutic procedure performed.</li> <li>5.3. Transfer to room per stretcher/ patient's bed</li> </ul>	PACU Nurse
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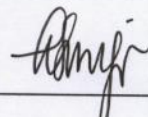

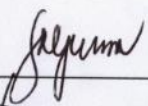
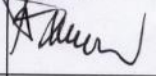
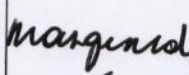
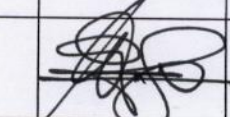


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