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POLICY:

1. Patient will receive pre-operative and post-operative education with consideration of age specific needs and educational barriers.
2. Caregivers will be included in the discharge education process.

PROCEDURE:

Preoperative patient education prior to arrival on day of surgery will include, but not limited to:

1. Fasting guidelines
2. Medication instructions
3. Valuables and jewelry
4. General hygiene/antibacterial shower as applicable
5. Safe transportation home and availability of responsible caregiver

Pre-operative teaching on day of surgery will include by not limited to:

1. Purpose and importance of patient identification and time out process
2. Rationale for intravenous access
3. Type of sedation/anesthesia
4. Pain management
5. DVT prevention; TED application, compression devices, encouraging mobility/ambulation
6. Respiratory: Deep breathing, coughing, incentive spirometry, oxygen therapy.
7. Phase I (post-anesthesia care unit) procedures: Monitoring devices, oxygen therapy, approximate time
8. Phase II/III procedures: Monitoring devices, potential side effects from anesthesia, dressing/drains, oral/ intravenous fluids, pain management.

Attachments:

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