**PPNO List Serv Query Summary PCA Pumps**

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Question Asked: Currently our patients control PCA pumps. When we have patients admitted from the community this can present a challenge as many patient’s families administer medication through the patient’s PCA in the community. For hospitals who allow families to administer patient medication through PCA can you please share your policies, procedures and education materials?

Policy  Procedure  Practice Question  Program Info  Committee Structure info

Role Question  Model/Structure Question  Care Delivery Question  Collaboration

Regulation/Legislation  Pt. Safety  Quality/Outcome/Indicator Question

PP Culture/Leadership Question  Other:

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Responses:

| Contact Info | Question  (Main or only question) | Question  (part 2 if any) | Attachment(s)\* |
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| George Fieber RN  Nursing Practice Leader  Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre  Office: (807) 684-6691  Cell   : (807) 629-0889 | Sorry I can't be of help. This is not our practice. |  |  |
| Grace Sutherland  -  Almonte General Hospital/Fairview Manor  Informatics Coordinator/Clinical Educator | We try to switch patients to a hospital PCA pump as soon as possible.  I have attached our CADD pump policy.  If you are looking only for hospitals that allow families to administer, please disregard my input. |  |  |
| Sue Bow  Critical Care Educator(Interim)  Pembroke Regional Hospital  613-732-2811 Ext 6644 | At our facility if a patient is admitted with a community PCA they must be changed over to a hospital one. Families are not permitted to deliver PCA boluses. They need to request nurse to deliver clinician bolus. |  |  |
| Corinne Savignac, R.N., BScN,  Nurse Clinician General Internal Medicine  705-523-7100  Extension 3315  Health Sciences North | Horizon Santé-Nord  41 Ramsey Lake Road  Sudbury, Ontario P3E 5J1   E-mail: [csavignac@hsnsudbury.ca](mailto:csavignac@hsnsudbury.ca) | We do not allow patient’s families to administer medication through the PCA. |  |  |
| Robin Varnes RN,BN  Manager of Clinical Development  Norfolk General Hospital  519-426-0130 ext. 2314 | Hi there. When patients are admitted from the community with a PCA pump, it is discontinued and the patient is started on a gtt. This is not ideal, but our staff do not know how to care for the pump. I look forward to reading some responses. |  |  |
| Peggy Hughes  ext. 2098  [PHughes@southlakeregional.org](mailto:PHughes@southlakeregional.org) | At Southlake we replace the community pump with one of our own. Here is our CADD pump policy.  It would only be the patient administering the bolus. |  |  |

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