

PROCEDURE FOR: Interventional Radiology Patient Recovery: RN Coverage After Hours/
Weekends

- POLICY:**
1. Interventional Radiology Nurse will recover the Interventional Radiology patients in the ICU (In-house patients and patients to be discharged), after hours and on weekends. ICU will serve as a recovery location with the ICU staff serving as a resource/backup.
 2. If the Interventional Radiology Nurse has another case to follow or ICU is unable to assist in the recovery due to space or staffing constraints, the Nursing Supervisor will call in the PACU Nurses on call to recover the Interventional Radiology patient in the PACU.
 3. If the PACU Nurses are recovering an OR patient at the same time an Interventional Radiology patient is to be recovered, the Supervisor will be notified and the Action Nurse will be called to recover the Interventional Radiology patient in the ICU.

PROCEDURE:

ACTION

POINTS OF EMPHASIS

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| 1. The Interventional Radiology Nurse will call the Nursing Supervisor to determine the appropriate location for recovering in-house patients and/or patients to be discharged. | 1. The Nursing Supervisor will assess availability of ICU space and staff. |
| 2. The PACU Nurses will accept and recover the Interventional Radiology patients after hours and on weekends. | 2. The Supervisor is to verify that Interventional Radiology has a second case to follow and confirm ICU space and/or staff is unavailable. |
| 3. The PACU Nurses are to notify the Nursing Supervisor of the post operative recovery in the PACU. | 3. The Nursing Supervisor will assess availability of the Action Nurse and assign as needed. |

APPROVAL: Nursing Administrative Council

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