

PROCEDURE FOR: Notification of Respiratory Therapist Regarding Transport of Neonatal Patient from Operating Room to Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

OBJECTIVE: To provide ventilator care to the patient returning from the Operating Room.

- PROCEDURE:**
1. The OR Nurse will speak directly with the NICU Charge Nurse at 679-2397 to inform him/her that the NICU patient will be ready to leave the OR.
 2. The phone call from the OR Nurse to the NICU Charge Nurse will be placed 20 minutes prior to departure from the OR.
 3. At the time the NICU Charge Nurse receives the call, he/she will immediately notify the NICU Respiratory Therapist and inform him/her that the patient is ready to return from the Operating Room.
 4. The Respiratory Therapist will proceed to the Operating Room:
 - a. Receive ventilatory settings from anesthesiologist
 - b. Set up transport ventilator
 - c. Assess the patient on the ventilator
 - d. Transport the patient from the Operating Room.

APPROVAL:

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/04

REVISION DATES: