**Surgery & Procedures Follow-Through Experience at Gundersen Health System (GHS)**

**Preparation**

Take time to review the surgery or procedure you are assigned to. Review the clinical manifestations, the surgery/procedure, and the expected outcomes of the planned procedure/surgery. Look over what aseptic practice means and what steps you need to take to maintain a sterile environment.

\**Print this form and carry this form with you when you are assigned your observation day. This is very important as there are many steps.*

**Helpful Hints**

* Eat breakfast and stay hydrated, even if you do not routinely eat breakfast.
* Arrive to GHS at the time your instructor / staff has arranged. You need to allow adequate time to obtain scrubs, get dressed, and arrive to your destination **on time.** Bring a lock for the locker if you prefer.
* Inform staff immediately if you are feeling dizzy, warm, light headed, weak, or have any other unusual symptoms.
* Follow GHS policies*.* Hand hygiene is important before entering, after touching patient surroundings, and when exiting the rooms.
* Avoid touching the blue colored tables, drapes, or surgical instruments unless otherwise instructed.

**Day of Surgery/Procedure**

**Collecting or Returning Scrubs:** See additional attachment (“*Clean Attire Retrieval and Deposit*”)

**Directions**

**Locker Rooms**

* Turn right when exiting the scrub Pyxis room and another right down the hallway. Follow the hallway which will bring you to the Medical education locker rooms (on the right- and left-hand side). Access the “Male or Female Room Med Ed” using your issued student badge. Swipe black bar code and then change into scrubs, including hair bonnet (with ceil blue scrubs) and shoe covers (ceil blue scrubs). H*air bonnet and shoe covers are located at entrances into OR / Cath Lab designated by red tile on floor)*
* If you are having problems with your issued student id badge, contact Billy Banes at 608-775-6741

**Main Surgery Desk / Pre-Op from the locker rooms (located on the 2nd floor of Legacy)**

* Locate elevator F on the 2nd floor
* Follow the hallway towards elevator A (this is a long hallway with windows on the right-hand side and carpeting on the floor)
* At the end of the hallway, you will see bathrooms to your left and waiting area to your right. Turn left towards the bathrooms and a quick right
* There will be double doors that require you to scan your student badge on the right
* Once you scan your student badge, push through the doors (as they do not open automatically)
* Follow the hallway and veer right. You will see the main surgery desk on your left. Pre-Op is located just past the main surgery desk on the right. As you enter Pre-Op, the HUC for the unit is on the right. Inform the HUC who you are and what surgery you are there to observe. The HUC or Pre-Op staff will assist in finding the patient from there.

**Cath Lab from the locker rooms (located on the 2nd floor of Legacy)**

* Follow same directions as above. Once you arrive at the main surgery desk, let them know who you are and what you are observing. *Instruct them to call the Cath Lab coordinator at ext. 52233* *and to send someone from the Cath Lab to get you from the Main Surgery Office.*

**Observation Complete**

* Proceed back to the 2nd floor “Male or Female Room Med Ed” locker rooms (use elevator E on the 2nd floor as a landmark)
* Change into your regular clothes and **return** your scrubs to the scrub pyxis(See additional attachment “*Collecting and Returning Clean Attire*”)
* Scrubs **must** be returned and cannot leave or be worn off GHS property. This must be done in order to keep the flow of our observations/follow-through moving smoothly.

**Contacts**

Main Surgery Office: 53351

Cath Lab Coordinator: 52233

IR Coordinator: 54254

Pre-Op Main desk: 53159

Medical Education: 56749 or 56741