

 <p>BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD HAUORA A TOI</p> <p>PATIENT TRANSFER PROTOCOL</p>	<p>PATIENT TRANSFER – TO WAIKATO CARDIAC CARE</p>	<p>Policy 6.4.1 Protocol 11</p>
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STANDARD

That all patients being transferred to Waikato DHB Cardiac Care will be prepared for Cardiac Catheterisation and / or Percutaneous Intervention (PCI), CABG / AVR and Pacemaker.

PROCEDURE

Stage	Description	Responsibility
Pre-transfer care		
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure Waikato Cardiology Transfer Form completed and faxed to Waikato Cardiac Care and Tauranga Ambulance Co-ordinator. • Inform patient of mode and process of transfer. • Medical Discharge Summary completed. • Blood results repeated daily if abnormal. • Complete and sign FM.T14.1 Transport Mediation Chart (Adult) <p>N.B. for all patients transferring for cardiac surgery require:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coagulation screen to be completed. • Notify Cardiac Care WDHB of any abnormal blood results (3 days) prior to transfer. • Chest x-ray available on-line. <p><u>Patients transferring for CABG / AVR:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop clopidogrel / ticagrelor 5 days prior to surgery. • 1 enoxaparin sodium (Clexane) free day before surgery. • Valve surgery patient needs dental clearance. This includes OP x-ray and dental consultation. Those with dentures also need clearance as they may have gum disease or retained roots. • Identify patients for CABG who have varicose veins as they will require pre-surgical map at Vascular Lab at Waikato prior to surgery. 	<p>Medical Officer</p>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education of patient, family / whānau as appropriate about the procedure has been initiated • Commence Inter-hospital Transfer form (7515) - <i>green</i> 	<p>Ward Registered Nurse</p>

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3	<p><u>Ensure the following test results are available:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal blood results are to be no older than 72 hours; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Urea and Electrolytes 2. Complete blood Count 3. INR (if on Warfarin) – INR to be less than / equal to 1.5 4. >aPTT (if on heparin as per protocol) 5. >Group & Screen for all patients (<i>except for those unlikely to proceed.</i>) <p><u>Ensure the following are present:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correct identity bracelet. • IV luer in situ - less than 48 hours old and check patency. • A pain free ECG within 3 days for diagnosis and 24 hours before intervention. • Copy of patient's relevant health record; Cardiac angiography, Echocardiograph, Exercise Tolerance Test Report, TIMI Score. • Dental review for Valve Replacement. • Identify if patient has allergy to iodine and contrast medium. <p><i>Do not transfer if patient has current infection, unless clinically unstable.</i></p> <p><u>Medication to be withheld as follows in consultation with Medical Staff</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frusemide / diuretics prior to transfer can be given on arrival by Transport Nurse. • Metformin to be withheld morning of procedure and recommenced 48 hours following procedure for PCI patients. • Clexane for 6 hours prior to procedure. • Stop Warfarin 72 hours prior to procedure for PCI patients. • <i>INR to be less than / equal 2 for radial access</i> (preferred choice), <i>less than / equal to 1.5 for femoral access</i> (used for Ⓛ and Ⓡ heart study and failed radial). • Heparin to be stopped just prior to leaving for cath lab. <p><i>All other usual medication to be given unless ordered to be withheld by medical staff.</i></p>	Ward Registered Nurse
4	<p><u>Patients transferring for Pacemaker:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IV luer insitu if patient is acute and / or symptomatic. • Continue Warfarin INR 2 - 2.5 • No bridging Heparin / enoxaparin sodium (Clexane) to be used • Send copies of relevant rhythm strips and ECGs. • Ensure left and right arm electrodes are on the back of shoulders. 	Ward Registered Nurse

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REFERENCES

- Waikato District Health Board procedure for percutaneous cardiac procedures.
- Waikato District Health Board Cardiac Catheter & Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI) Worksheet.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.4.1 Patient Transfers
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.4.1 Protocol 2 Patient Transfer – Inter-Hospital Standards
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.4.1 Protocol 3 Patient Transfer – Road Standards (To / From Another Hospital)
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.4.1 Protocol 5 Patient Transfer – Air Standards (To / From)
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 2.5.2 protocol 4 Health Records - Transportation by BOPDHB Staff
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 5.1.6 Transport – BOPDHB Vehicle Fleet
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Form FM.T14.1 Transport Medication Chart (Adult)
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Inter-Hospital Transfer form (7515). *Viewable only. Order from Design & Print Centre*

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