Department of Anesthesiology
Weekly Update

December 15, 2020

TRAINING

NEW: COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

SUNY is planning for COVID-19 vaccine distribution. All employees interested in the vaccine MUST register. Enroll in the SUNY Vaccine Registry.

For more information about the SUNY vaccine plan and FAQs, check out these resources: SUNY COVID-19 Workforce Vaccination Plan

COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs

GOT A COVID QUESTION?

Submit it here: 2020ask.com

UPDATED: COVID Clinical Resources - Bookmark Us!

- Department of Anesthesiology COVID Education Blackboard
- SUNY Coronavirus Information

IMPORTANT: COVID-19 UPDATED ON WEBSITE

Visit the CORE website for up-to-date information. Click here if you are able to utilize COVID-19 management guidance. It is changing daily.

Faculty, staff and trainees should refer to that website (www.core.anesthesiaweek.org) for guidance related to COVID-19 questions.

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CLINICAL INFORMATION

NEW: Cellcelle Tri Pouch

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, we received cellcelle tri pouch for Cellsafe 3 pouch. Currently we have approximately two to three weeks of cellsafe 3 pouch and it goes back to stock as we are using these in the operating rooms. Cellcelle tri pouch is a pouch that has three compartments for cellsafe 3 pouch, cellsafe 3 pouch with epinephrine (two syringes in one pouch C-LIK, HP and Pouch), Cellsafe3 3 pouch (cellsafe 3 pouch + 100 mg IV cefazolin to be prepared in the pharmacy), Cellsafe3 1 pouch (1 gm cefazolin IV cefazolin to be available in Sterilmed and in the operating rooms). Cellcelle tri pouch will be available in the operating rooms and in Sterilmed.

- In the HP and Pouch, C-Lik pouch and epinephrine syringe will be prepared separately from HP, the same applies to cefazolin and always a dual dispense bandolier in Sterilmed
- Cellsafe 3 pouch with epinephrine + 2 gm cefazolin (Sterilmed dispense cefazolin) + 2 gm1 mL and 10 mL, vial of epinephrine
- When ordering cellsafe3 3 gm (Sterilmed, Sterilmed dispense cefazolin) + 2 gm1 mL and 10 mL, vial of epinephrine
- In the OR, cancelled or late cases will have the cefazolin vial(s) and epinephrine vial(s) in the pouch
- Instructions on the OTFC tab will be added to check each pouch (OR, Sterilmed, cellcelle and Vaporizer) and the 3 in 1 pouch

Cellsafe1 1 gm dose preparation

Cellsafe3 2 gm dose preparation

NEW: Fluid Change

Fluid Change Pouch will be used for running out of intermediate fluid. To get ahead of the shortage we are ordering Sterilmed fluid. This will reduce the amount of fluid we are throwing away. Fluid Change Pouch will be stocked in the operating rooms and in the Sterilmed. Fluid change will be available in the operating rooms.

Please refer to Fluid Change Pouch. Know if you have any questions or concerns.

eRor Update - Blood Documentation for Labor Epidurals

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eRor Update - Anesthesia End Copy Forward Changes

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Automatic Patient Weight Inputting in Pelrap

As of Wednesday, Dec. 9, the Pelrap for inputting weights from your office encounters features differently. Previously, when you input a patient's weight, it would populate the "Weight" section of weight/height measurement values present in advance of pelrap. The Pelrap will now not do this anymore.

Weight input hardware range:

- Patients less than 3 months – 1 lbs bodiweb
- Patients 3 months – 30 lbs
- Greater than 1 year – 50 lbs

Please Note - OCTREOTIDE CONCENTRATION CHANGE

Our Pharmacy leadership reached out to us to let us know about a recent change to the octreotide concentration. Octreotide is a medication that is used in the OR for patients with carcinoid syndrome and VIPoma. The concentration of the drug has been already occurred on SUNY and Kaiser. Please take your time setting up your Omnicell cabinets.

Sack-Ice Stickers

Sack-ice stickers are coming in pennies.

All Clinical Staff Employing the Sack-Ice

Sack-ice is a reusable, non-toxic, non-allergenic, non-irritant, sterilized IV gel, and is acceptable in Vamoys if not open. We have sent out a memo of coverage.

It should not be allowed on the floor and be in compartment or cabin distribution.

Good practice is to stay out of a cabin that is not in use and keep it closed.

These are disposable medicines and deserve good maintenance by us. Please take care of these cabins.

CODRAN ICP Monitor

All patients with an ICP monitor (EVD or Intraparenchymal Codman Monitor) should have their ICP monitored during anesthesia.

Please contact Dr. Chow to write a report when available in some of the OPs and NC block and Anesthesia Week room for attention.

A EOP will be created and posted shortly. It will include a video.

If you have any questions please contact Lydia Bodnarchuk or Tamara Pendelley.

Click here for instructions.

OPPORTUNITIES, RESOURCES & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW: CME Faculty Feedback Form

The department is pleased to announce that the Hands on CME Sessions is being offered. The first workshop (PTC1) has been completed and the second (PTC2) is ongoing. Attached is the feedback form for the faculty who participated in the workshop. Please take a few minutes to complete the form. Please contact Dr. Chow or Dr. Bernstein with questions before you start.

There have been changes to the CME priority for PTC1, all sending notes and medications are in place. When not specifically allowed under the current policy, negotiations that for certain professionals will be reimbursed. Business Office will be reimbursing for the cost of the CME. Please contact Business Office for questions. Please contact Dr. Chow with questions, concerns and suggestions. Please contact Dr. Bernstein with questions before you start.

In order to satisfy our ever-expansive curiosity, the Neuro will be filled in two stages. Reimbursements for expenses incurred in the Neuro will be paid by the CME fund. This is a very complex arrangement. Reimbursements for expenses that are not allowed in the Neuro will be paid by the Neuro.

CME balance for PTC1 has been updated and will available now.

Due to financial losses experienced in Q4 of FY20, unused PTC1 CME funds will not be rolled over to FY21 and are no longer available. Unused PTC2 funds will be rolled over to FY21.

Click here for the CME, Travel and Employee Reimbursement Policy.

NEW: Department of Anesthesiology Resources and EHR Maintenance

The department is an institutional member of the AACC. With this new membership comes, there are a few openings for attending physicians and residents to participate in resource members of the AACC under the umbrella of our institutional membership. Out of institutional change, joining the AACC provides networking opportunities with other academic anesthesiology departments, access to the AACC's resources, and the ability to vote for the AACC's slate of officers to serve as leaders for the AACC. Interested in being a part of the AACC? Please let us know.

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NEW: CLARITY - How to write a superb literature review

To promote guidance for residents writing their literature review, a quick reference. This is just one by Allison in an unpublished copy Cardiac Pediatric column from Medical Times to write a superb literature review.” December 2, 2020 Learn more here.

UPDATED: COVID-19 Literature Review

Each Monday, the department distributes a weekly summary of the latest and most scientific evidence about COVID-19. The Department of Anesthesiology Research Committee has been reviewing the literature and has created a weekly summary of the most critical evidence-based literature on COVID-19. Approximately 50 articles are reviewed