

**Clinical Pathway for
SHOULDER
REPAIR**



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PATIENT PROFILE

DATE OF SURGERY / /

Lives with _____ Person for Notification _____
 Relationship _____ Phone _____
 Interpreter required Yes (type) _____ No Pastoral Care Yes No
 Medications taken at Home (please list) _____
 Medications brought into Hospital Yes No Medications sent Home Yes No
 Other Associated Problems/Co-existing morbidities _____

ALLERGIES:

Drugs: _____ Food: _____ Other: _____

ORIENTATION TO WARD:

<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction to other patients	<input type="checkbox"/> Nurse uniform explanation	<input type="checkbox"/> Buzzer
<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone	<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting Hours	<input type="checkbox"/> Toilet/Bathroom
<input type="checkbox"/> Sitting Room	<input type="checkbox"/> No Smoking	<input type="checkbox"/> Meal Times

VALUABLES

<input type="checkbox"/> Sent Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital Safe	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
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DISCHARGE CHECKLIST

Destination on Discharge _____
 Social Worker Yes No Occupational Therapist Yes No
 Community care necessary Yes No Community Care Nursing Yes No
 Escort required Not required Arranged Name: _____
 Means of Transport:
 Private car Taxi Ambulance Hospital Transport
 Aeroplane Booking made for Return Flight Other _____

	Yes	N/A	Comment
IPTAAS			
Referral Letter to GP			
Medical Certificate			
Discharge Medications: Ordered			
Obtained			
Explained			
Valuables returned to patient			
Clothing returned to patient			
Private Xrays returned to patient			
Follow-up appointments made			
Location of appointments explained			
Continuing problems on discharge			
Patient's own medications returned			

Discharge Nurse _____ Date Discharge: / / _____
 (Please print name, designation)

Information regarding documentation of Clinical Pathways:

The Clinical Path is to remain with the patient's observation/medication charts and is to be utilised in conjunction with the ward rounds/case conferences. Always assess whether an intervention is appropriate for individual patient. **The Clinical Path does not take the place of a physician order.**

PROCEDURE: Complete details as required - affix patient bradma, insert date. The Clinical Path is designed as a multidisciplinary plan of care. Therefore, each discipline initials after the intervention has been attended to, (ie: if not signed, the action needs review as a variance or attention). If the event is not applicable to the patient, write N/A and initial. **VARIANCE:** Definition: 1) Any event noted on the clinical path not occurring within 24 hours. 2) An event not printed on the clinical path, eg: infected cannula site. To note the variance - indicate in the signature column an encircled V. **THE VARIANCE SHEET:** Ensure patient details are noted on the page as required; document **DATE, DAY of STAY & VARIANCE CODE**, (eg: A3 = Infection). **Explanation of Variance Code:** briefly describe the variance, eg. infection, delay in drain removal, cancellation of procedure. **Action Taken:** briefly write the action taken, eg. IV cannula removed due to inflammation.

Sign each Variance entry noted, and document variance and evaluation of patient progress and care in progress notes.

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Assessment At Pre - Admission/ Admission	
STEP 1 Nursing Assessment Name: _____ Designation: _____	What are the patient's living arrangements? _____ Are there any obstacles that might influence return home ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If Yes, please record stated obstacle</i> _____ Does the patient live alone? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If No, is the Carer in good health?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Is the Carer willing and/or able to assist following discharge? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Has the patient been receiving community services ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If Yes, please indicate which services:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Community Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Home Care Meals On Wheels _____ Other (specify) _____ Has the service been advised of the patients hospitalization? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Sensory Deficits: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Present Type _____
	From Information gathered in steps 1-2(next page), plan patients discharge needs
	Will the patient be able to cope when she/he is discharged? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If Yes, further assessment required?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If No, what help will the patient need?</i> _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Worker <input type="checkbox"/> Psychosocial Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Assistance with Legal matters <input type="checkbox"/> Housing <input type="checkbox"/> After care plans <input type="checkbox"/> Community Support Services <input type="checkbox"/> Assistance with Financial matters <input type="checkbox"/> Support/Counselling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Liaison Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Home Nursing Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Continuity of Nursing <input type="checkbox"/> Community Nurse Referral <input type="checkbox"/> Dosette Box <input type="checkbox"/> Wound Care/Hygiene Needs
<input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Therapist <input type="checkbox"/> Home assessment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist <input type="checkbox"/> Medication Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Medication Card <input type="checkbox"/> Dosette Box	
<input type="checkbox"/> Physiotherapist <input type="checkbox"/> Podiatrist <input type="checkbox"/> Speech Pathologist <input type="checkbox"/> Dietitian	
Referral Made? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date of referral: _____ By Whom _____	
RN Assessment Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	
Social Worker Assess. Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	
Occupational Therapist Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	
Pharmacist Assess. Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	
Community Liaison Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	
Physiotherapy Assess. Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	
Other Allied Health Ass. Date: _____ Name/Designation: _____	

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DATE:	/ /	DAY OF SURGERY	Initials			
Outcomes	SR 1.1 No evidence of narcotic toxicity SR 1.2 Vital signs within normal limits SR 1.3 Behavioural and emotional state stable SR 1.4 Neurovascular observations within normal limits SR 1.5 SAO ₂ within normal limits SR 1.6 Chest clear SR 1.7 Patient scoring 3 or less on VAS with pain control			AM	PM	ND
Preoperative Care	Clip area as per VMO preferences - <input type="checkbox"/> Axilla <input type="checkbox"/> Deltoid Area Check list Fasted 6 hours pre surgery					
Consultations	Team Review _____					
Pain Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Narcotics <input type="checkbox"/> PCA <input type="checkbox"/> "Pain Buster" <input type="checkbox"/> Scalene Block Patient comfortable with pain management <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Observe for signs of narcotic toxicity					
Treatment & Assessments	Vital signs - 1/24 for 4 hrs then 4/24 Circulation observations - 1/24 for 24 hrs 1/24 ankle exercises encouraged while awake Falls assessment score _____ Interventions _____					
Respiratory Care	Deep breathing & coughing exercises while awake O ₂ therapy administered as ordered SaO ₂ monitored					
Wounds & Drains	Dressing intact					
Medications	<input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed by Pharmacist _____ IV antibiotics as ordered					
Skin Integrity & Hygiene	Braden pressure area risk score _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Heel raisers _____ Interventions _____					
Elimination	Check normal voiding If patient unable to void within 12 hours post op, assess for IDC insertion & 1/24 measures					
Nutrition & Hydration	IV therapy as ordered Fluid balance chart Commence fluids as tolerated 4/24 post op					
Education	Ensure patient has copy of Patient Clinical Pathway and booklet					
Discharge Plan	Check discharge plan has been documented Discharge destination _____					
RN Sign & Print name	AM _____ PM _____ ND _____					

DATE	/ / DAY 1	Initials		
Outcomes	SR 2.1 No evidence of narcotic toxicity SR 2.2 Vital signs within normal limits SR 2.3 Patient scoring 3 or less on VAS with pain control SR 2.4 Complete assigned exercises	AM	PM	ND
Consultations	Team review			
Investigations				
Pain Management	<input type="checkbox"/> PCA <input type="checkbox"/> Narcotics <input type="checkbox"/> Oral Analgesia Patient comfortable with pain management <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Observe for narcotic toxicity			
Treatment & Assessments	4/24 vital signs PCA observations as per analgesia chart 1/24 circulation observations, stop at 24 hrs if satisfactory			
Physiotherapy	Mobilise Wrist & finger exercises Elbow flexion/extension Shoulder - pendular exercises - other exercises as specified by VMO _____ Chest clear - see notes			
Wounds & Drains	Intact post-op dressing Reinforce if necessary			
Medications	<input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed by pharmacist _____ IV antibiotics as ordered			
Skin Integrity & Hygiene	Shower with arm in cotton sling or seated with arm on lap Into Arm Immobiliser after shower			
Elimination	Check voiding normally			
Nutrition & Hydration	IV therapy ceased if diet and fluids are tolerated			
Education	Wrist and finger exercises by physio and care coordinator Patient Clinical Pathway reviewed with patient			
Occupational Therapist	Assess - personal care with shoulder immobilised - assistance required on discharge <input type="checkbox"/> brace <input type="checkbox"/> domestics - functional mobility - transfers chair/toilet/bed/bathing			
Discharge Planning	Confirm discharge date _____ Confirm discharge destination _____			
RN Sign & Print name	AM _____ PM _____ ND _____			

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DATE	/ /	DAY 2	Initials			
			AM	PM	ND	
Outcomes	SR 3.1 Vital signs within normal limits SR 3.2 Patient scoring 3 or less on VAS with pain control SR 3.3 Managing sling application/hygiene SR 3.4 No signs or symptoms of infection SR 3.5 Discharged SR 3.6 Patient is informed of new medications, understands and is confident in their use					
Consultations	Team review					
Pain Management	<input type="checkbox"/> PCA ceased <input type="checkbox"/> Narcotics <input type="checkbox"/> Oral Analgesia Patient comfortable <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Treatment & Assessments	BD vital signs					
Physiotherapy	Mobilise Wrist, finger & elbow exercises Shoulder - pendular exercises - exercises as specified by the VMO _____ Chest clear - see notes					
Wounds & Drains	Change dressing to Comfeel					
Medications	<input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed by pharmacist <input type="checkbox"/> Counselling on new medications by pharmacist					
Skin Integrity & Hygiene	Shower with arm in cotton sling or seated in shower with arm on lap Put arm into Arm Immobiliser after shower					
Elimination	Check voiding normally Check bowels opened, if not give aperients					
Nutrition & Hydration	IV therapy ceased (if not on day 1) Diet and fluids as tolerated					
Education	Wrist and finger exercises by physio and care coordinator Patient Pathway reviewed with patient					
Occupational Therapist	Review problems identified Day 1 or complete outstanding assessment Consult Social Worker/Care Co-ordinator if personal care assistance needed for d/c Organise adaptive equipment prior to discharge					
Discharge Plan	Confirm discharge date _____ Confirm discharge destination _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge letter <input type="checkbox"/> Medications <input type="checkbox"/> Cotton sling for showering <input type="checkbox"/> Staple remover Staples removed by <input type="checkbox"/> Community Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> LMO					
RN Sign & Print name	AM _____ PM _____ ND _____					

DATE / / DAY 3		Initials		
		AM	PM	ND
Outcomes	SR 4.1 Vital signs within normal limits SR 4.2 Patient scoring 3 or less on VAS with pain control SR 4.3 Managing sling application/hygiene SR 4.4 No signs or symptoms of infection SR 4.5 Discharged SR 4.6 Patient is informed of new medications, understands and is confident in their use			
Consultations	Team review			
Pain Management	<input type="checkbox"/> PCA ceased <input type="checkbox"/> Narcotics <input type="checkbox"/> Oral Analgesia Patient comfortable <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Treatment & Assessments	BD vital signs			
Physiotherapy	Mobilise Wrist, finger & elbow exercises Shoulder - pendular exercises - exercises as specified by the VMO _____ Chest clear - see notes			
Wounds & Drains	Change dressing to Comfeel			
Medications	<input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed by pharmacist <input type="checkbox"/> Counselling on new medications by pharmacist			
Skin Integrity & Hygiene	Shower with arm in cotton sling or seated in shower with arm on lap Put arm into Arm Immobiliser after shower			
Elimination	Check voiding normally Check bowels opened, if not give aperients			
Nutrition & Hydration	Diet and fluids as tolerated			
Education	Wrist and finger exercises by physio and care coordinator Patient Pathway reviewed with patient			
Occupational Therapist	Review problems identified Day 1 or complete outstanding assessment Consult Social Worker/Care Co-ordinator if personal care assistance needed for d/c Organise adaptive equipment prior to discharge			
Discharge Planning	Confirm discharge date Confirm discharge destination <input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge letter <input type="checkbox"/> Medications <input type="checkbox"/> Cotton sling for showering <input type="checkbox"/> Staple remover Staples removed by <input type="checkbox"/> Community Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> LMO			
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Braden Pressure Ulcer Risk Management

	1. Completely limited	2. Very limited	3. Slightly limited	4. No impairment
Sensory Perception Ability to respond meaningfully to pressure related discomfort.	Unresponsive (does not moan, flinch or grasp) to painful stimuli, due to diminished level of consciousness or sedation. OR limited ability to feel pain over most of body surface.	Responds only to painful stimuli. Cannot communicate discomfort except by moaning or restlessness. OR has a sensory impairment which limits the ability to feel pain or discomfort over 1/2 of body.	Responds to verbal commands but cannot always communicate discomfort or need to be turned. OR has some sensory impairment which limits ability to feel pain or discomfort in 1 or 2 extremities.	Responds to verbal commands, has no sensory deficit which would limit ability to feel or voice pain or discomfort.
Moisture Degree to which skin is exposed to moisture.	1. Constantly moist Skin is kept moist almost constantly by perspiration, urine, etc. Dampness is detected every time patient is moved or turned.	2. Very moist Skin is often, but not always, moist. Linen must be changed at least once a shift.	3. Occasionally moist Skin is occasionally moist requiring an extra linen change approximately once a day.	4. Rarely moist Skin is usually dry, linen only requires changing at routine intervals.
Activity Degree of physical activity.	1. Bedfast Confined to bed.	2. Chairfast Ability to walk severely limited or non-existent. Cannot bear own weight and / or must be assisted into chair or wheelchair.	3. Walks occasionally Walks occasionally during day but for very short distances with or without any assistance. Spends majority of each shift in bed or chair.	4. Walks frequently Walks outside the room at least twice a day and inside room at least once every 2 hours during waking hours.
Mobility Ability to change and control body position	1. Completely immobile Does not make even slight changes in body or extremity position without assistance.	2. Very limited Make occasional slight changes in body or extremity position but unable to make frequent or significant changes independently.	3. Slightly limited Makes frequent though slight changes in body or extremity position independently.	4. No limitations Makes major and frequent changes in position without assistance.
Nutrition Usual food intake pattern	1. Very poor Never eats a complete meal. Rarely eats more than 1/3 of any food offered. Eats 2 servings or less of protein (meat or dairy products) per day. Takes fluids poorly. Does not take a liquid dietary supplement. OR is NPO and / or maintained on clear liquids or IVs for more than 5 days.	2. Probably Inadequate Rarely eats a complete meal and generally eats only about 1/2 of any food offered. Protein intake includes only 3 servings of meat or dairy products per day. Occasionally will take a dietary supplement OR receives less than optimum amount of liquid diet or tube feeding.	3. Adequate Eats over half of most meals. Eats a total of 4 servings of protein (meat, dairy products) each day. Occasionally will refuse a meal, but will usually take a supplement if offered OR is on tube feeding or TPN regimen which probably meets most of nutritional needs.	4. Excellent Eats most of every meal. Never refuses a meal. Usually eats a total of 4 or more servings of meat and dairy products. Occasionally eats between meals. Does not require supplementation.
Friction and Shear	1. Problem Requires moderate to maximum assistance in moving. Complete lifting without sliding against sheets is impossible. Frequently slides down in bed or chair, requiring frequent repositioning with maximum assistance. Spasticity contractures or agitation lead to almost constant friction.	2. Potential Problem Moves feebly or requires minimum assistance. During a move skin probably slides to some extent against sheet, chair, restraints or other devices. Maintains relatively good position in chair or bed most of the time, but occasionally slides down.	3. No Apparent Problem Moves in bed and in chair independently and has sufficient muscle strength to lift up completely during move. Maintains good position in bed or chair at all times.	

Note: Patients with a total score of 16 or less are considered to be at risk of developing pressure ulcers (15 or 16 = low risk; 13 or 14 = moderate risk; 12 or less = high risk)

Visual Analogue Scale (VAS)

Show patient VAS (4-6 hourly) and ask patient to indicate the number that corresponds to their level of pain at that time. Record the number on the appropriate section of Clinical Pathway

Pain Assessment Scale

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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