# ANESTHESIA POSTOPERATIVE STANDARD ORDERS

**FOR use IN PACU ONLY**

- **Vital signs monitoring per Postoperative guidelines. Patient may be discharged from Postop per established criteria.**

**PRN PAIN MEDICATIONS:**
- Epidural/Intrathecal or IV PCA per separate order sheet.
- For a pain score >=5 give:
  - Fentanyl: _____________ mcg IV Q 5 min up to _____________ mcg max PRN
  - For pain score >=5 not responsive to two doses of Fentanyl, discontinue Fentanyl and give:
    - Morphine Sulfate: _____________ mg IVIM Q 5 min up to _____________ mg max PRN
  - For pain <=4 and tolerating PO fluids give:
    - Percocet: _____________ tabs PO q _____________ hr PRN, max _____________ tabs PRN
  - Meperidine: _____________ mg IV Q 5 min pm shivering up to _____________ mg max
  - Bextra 20 mg PO x 1
  - Other: _____________

**NAUSEA:**
- Anti-emetics as per protocol:
  - a) At the onset of nausea, the patient will be medicated with metoclopramide 10mg IV. If nausea persists after 15 minutes, may repeat metoclopramide 10mg IV x 1 unless administered intravenously (total dose not to exceed 20 mg).
  - b) If nausea continues after 15 minutes, then give the following medications in the order listed below:
    1. Dolaseton 12.5 mg IV q 30 minutes up to 25 mg.
    2. Promethazine 12.5 mg IV q 15 minutes up to 25 mg.
    3. Decadron 8 mg IV x 1 dose
  - c) For nausea refractory to the above medications in patients known to have a normal QT interval give:
    - Droperidol 0.225mg IV q 15 minutes up to 1.25 mg IV.

**REVERSAL OF SEDATION:**
- Flumazenil: _____________ mg IVIM q _____________ minutes PRN
- Naltrexone: _____________ mg IVIM q _____________ minutes PRN, respirations less than _____________/min

**FLUIDS:**
- I.V. to run per surgeon's orders
- IV: _____________ to run at _____________ ml/hr
- Bolus: _____________ ml of _____________ PRN BP systolic less than _____________
- PO fluids per Postoperative Guidelines

**RESPIRATORY:**
- O₂ per Postoperative Guidelines
- O₂ by humidified face tent
- O₂: _____________ L/minute by nasal cannula
- O₂: _____________ % Blowby/CPAP until extubated by extubation protocol
- O₂: _____________ L/minute on floor if SaO₂ less than _____________ On Room Air
- Racemic epinephrine 1 unit dose x 1 per guidelines
- Albuterol 1 unit dose x 1 per guidelines

**CARDIOVASCULAR:**
- Atropine: _____________ mg IV q _____________ minutes PRN for heart rate less than _____________/minute, max _____________ mg
- Ephedrine: _____________ mg IV q _____________ minutes PRN, BP systolic less than _____________ max _____________ mg
- Labetalol: _____________ mg IV q _____________ minutes PRN, BP systolic more than _____________, diastolic more than _____________ max _____________ mg
- Hydralazine: _____________ mg IV q _____________ minutes PRN, BP systolic more than _____________, diastolic more than _____________ max _____________ mg

**Other Medications or Treatments:**

**UPON DISCHARGE FROM PACU, THESE ORDERS ARE TO BE DISCONTINUED**

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