Issue/Process: Anesthesia Pre-Op Orders
Status: Approved
Action Requested:

Reviewing Group: CPOE Steering Committee

**Issue/Background: Anesthesia Pre-OP Orders**
Once Computerized Physician Order Entry is implemented in the fall of 2010, physicians will enter all of their orders electronically from any location within the Virtua system. In order for a physician to enter orders, there must be a case/registration to attach the orders to. For outpatients classified as AM Admits, Anesthesiologists can enter orders directly into Soarian after the patient has arrived in SPA. For inpatients, Anesthesiologists may enter pre-op orders prior to or after the patient arrives in SPA. Anesthesia Pre-Op Order Sets are available for efficient order entry. Standing Orders (approved by MEC’s and in the Medical Staff By-laws) for general pre-op anesthesia care are available as an order set and can be implemented by staff.

For PAT – Anesthesia will complete any Pre Admission Testing orders deemed necessary in addition to what the surgeon orders per established guidelines, by completing a paper order (current state) and future state with CPOE once Pending Activation is initialized.

**Recommendations**
- Anesthesia pre-op orders should be entered directly into Soarian by Anesthesia
  - If outpatient or AM Admit, after arrival in SPA
  - If inpatient, at any time appropriate and from any location
- Orders will be viewable by OR Staff and other clinicians via Soarian Clinical Summary
- Standing order set be developed and approved by MEC’s
  - Standard routine tasks that are performed on every patient

**Source of Recommendations**
- CPOE Project Team
- Surgical Services Project Team

**Response/Comments:**
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