

PHYSICIAN'S ORDER - CRANIOTOMY POST-OPERATIVE ORDERS

Diagnosis: _____

Surgical Procedure: _____

Allergies: _____

Admit to ICU

Vital signs and head chart every 15 minutes until stable then every 1 hour x 4 then every 2 hours.

- Bed rest with head of bed elevated 30 degrees.
- Turn side to back to side every 2 hours
- NPO
- NG to low suction if comatose or vomiting
- Ice chips if awake
- Record I&O's with specific gravity every hour.
- Foley to constant drainage
- Thigh high Ted hose and SCD to legs
- Reinforce head dressing prn.
- CBC and CMP in AM post-operative day #1.
- IV D5/0.25% saline at 80 ml/hr.
- Change IV to saline lock when oral intake greater than 2000 ml in 24 hours.
- Oxygen per nasal cannula at 2 Liters/minute. Discontinue when ABG within normal limits on room air.
- Incentive spirometry every hour while awake.

Medications:

- Codeine 30 mg IM/po every 4 hours prn moderate pain
- Codeine 60 mg IM/po every 4 hours prn severe pain.
- Prochlorperazine (Compazine) 10 mg IM/po every 6 hours prn nausea/vomiting.
- Dexamethasone (Decadron) _____ mg IV every _____
 Then _____ mg IV every _____
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- Phenytoin (Dilantin) 100 mg IV/po every 8 hours. (Maximum IV rate = 50 mg/min)
- Acetaminophen (Tylenol) 650 mg po/PR every 4 hours prn mild pain or increased temperature.
- Famotidine (Pepcid) 20 mg IV/po every 12 hours while on dexamethasone (Decadron).
- Diazepam (Valium) 5 mg IV/po every 4 hours prn for agitation or seizures.
- Consults: _____

Physician Signature _____ Date _____ Time _____

PROHIBITED ABBREVIATION	REQUIRED TERM	PROHIBITED ABBREVIATION	REQUIRED TERM
ug	Write Microgram	1.0	Write 1. Do not use zero after decimal point
qd, q.d.	Write Daily	Zero after decimal point	
qod	Write Every Other Day or Every 48 hrs	MS	Write Morphine
U or u	Write Units	MgSO ₄ , MSO ₄	Write Magnesium sulfate or Morphine sulfate
.5	Write 0.5 - make sure you use preceding 0	IU	Write International units
No zero before decimal point		OS, OD, OU	Write Left or right eye or both eyes
		AS, AD, AU	Write Left or right ear or both ears



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