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Area Adult Critical
Care

Applicability Tennessee
Hospitals ONLY

Bundled Consent

1. Policy statement:

To develop and provide a systematic and safe approach to the care of adult critical care patients who require care in the adult intensive care unit (ICU). This care may include procedures that will provide the most effective monitoring and treatment of the patient. The bundled consent provides education to patients and families on certain most common invasive procedures for patients in the ICU.

2. Who Should Read This Policy?

All staff working in an adult ICU on the Baroness and East Campuses, including nursing staff, residents, attending physicians and advanced practice providers (APPs).

3. Purpose:

To explain common procedures performed on adult critical care patients so that the patient and/or decision maker are educated upon admission about care that may be potentially be provided and to streamline the consent process.

4. Definitions:

POA: Power of attorney, as designated in a valid power of attorney for health care.

Decision Maker: Designated decision maker for the patient.

Resident: A Resident Physician, or "Resident," is someone who has completed four years of college to receive an undergraduate degree, and then four years of medical school to receive a medical degree. After medical school, physicians complete a residency with focused training in their chosen specialty. A Resident includes a "fellow," which is a more senior Resident who is undergoing focused specialty

training.

Attending Physician: An Attending Physician, or "Attending," is someone who has received an undergraduate degree and a medical degree. Additionally, they have completed a residency program and a fellowship training program.

Advanced Practice Provider (APP): An Advanced Practice Provider or "APP" means an individual, other than a Physician, who is qualified to render direct or indirect medical or surgical care under the supervision of a physician who has been afforded privileges to provide such care in the hospital. Such APPs shall include, without limitation, podiatrists, psychologists, physician assistants, advance-practice nurse practitioners, midwives, nurse anesthetists, and other such professionals.

5. The Policy:

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Adult ICU patients' or their POA or decision maker should be presented with a bundled consent packet that includes risk and benefit information for the below procedures. The Surgery Critical Care and Medicine Critical Care physicians are the team members responsible for performing the listed procedures - this includes both resident physicians, advanced practice providers and supervising physicians as may be defined herein.

Procedures:

- **Tracheal Intubation and Mechanical Ventilation**
- **Central Venous Line Placement**
- **Arterial Line Placement**
- **Blood Products Transfusion**
- **Bronchoscopy**
- **Chest Tube Insertion**
- **Moderate Sedation/Analgesia**
- **Deep Sedation/Analgesia**

In the bundled consent packet, patients, or their POA or decision maker, will be provided information about each procedure, including the risks, benefits, and possible alternative treatments. Each of these will be reviewed with the patient, POA, or decision maker by the care team. The patient, POA, or decision maker may keep a copy of the information packet. The Surgery Critical Care and Medicine Critical Care physicians will be available to answer any questions the patient, POA, or decision maker has regarding any of these procedures as needed.

The patient, or their POA, or decision maker will then be provided with the appropriate forms to give consent for some or all of the procedures. Once consent is received for a procedure, and permission has been given for that procedure to be done as needed. It is possible that a procedure for which consent was given will not be necessary during the patient's stay. Providers should update the patient, or their POA or decision maker, on the patient's condition and notify them in a timely manner, when any of the

authorized procedures are performed. Other procedures not encompassed in the bundled consent, but which require separate consent, will be discussed, and consent obtained separately.

Approval Signatures

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Applicability

Erlanger Health - Baroness, Erlanger Health - Bledsoe, Erlanger Health - Children's, Erlanger Health - East, Erlanger Health - North, Erlanger Health - System