## **University of Toledo Ambulatory Services Guideline**

Title: Physician Surgery Scheduling in Athena

Purpose: This guideline outlines the procedures and documentation needed to assure accurate and safe scheduling of patient procedures and surgeries.

Related Policies: 3364-101-02-01 Ambulatory Medical Record

Accountability: It is the responsibility of the treating provider to enter the required fields listed below into the electronic medical record (EMR) for surgery/procedure scheduling.

Standard Operating Procedure:

- 1. For patients currently being treating in the office:
  - Provider will order the Surgery/Procedure to be scheduled in the EMR and route it to his/her delegate's EMR Clinical Inbox (provider staff/surgery scheduler).
  - Clinic staff may document a Patient Case in the EMR and order a surgery/procedure which will be sent to the provider for approval prior to being scheduled.
- 2. For Patients not seen in the office:
  - If the patient does not have an EMR name and number, an EMR registration is required before proceeding.
  - The provider should document a Patient Case in the EMR and place an order for the planned treatment and route to their delegated designee's EMR Clinical Inbox (provider staff/surgery scheduler). Alternatively, the provider can email the required information (number 3 below) to his/her designee for order entry into the EMR and then follow the guideline section 1, point 2.
- 3. Required documentation by the Provider in the EMR:
  - Procedure needing to performed
  - Anesthesia type
  - Position
  - Side
- 4. Additional documentation required by delegated staff:
  - Location where the procedure will be performed(George Isaac/Main OR)
  - Admission Status
  - Duration of the procedure
  - Special Instruments-If vendor needed, include name of vendor (i.e. Medtronic)

• Specify type of medical clearance if needed

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• Pre-procedure Orders-labs, x-rays, medications, medication holds etc.

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