Name of Policy: **Use of Lidocaine by Registered Nurses** for Insertion of Intravenous Catheters THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO MEDICAL CENTER **Policy Number:** 3364-110-05-13 **Nursing Service Department: Approving Officer:** AVP Patient Care Services/CNO **Responsible Agent:** AVP Patient Care Services /CNO **Effective Date:** 3.15.21 Scope: The University of Toledo Medical Center Initial Effective Date: 1/1998 (UTMC)

Minor/technical revision of existing policy

Reaffirmation of existing policy

(A) Policy Statement

New policy proposal

Major revision of existing policy

The use of Lidocaine by Registered Nurses (RNs) for insertion of intravenous catheters can provide local pain relief during the procedure. The use of Lidocaine is primarily reserved for cases in which larger gauge needles are used (20 gauge or larger needle) and for those who become extremely agitated with venipuncture.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To provide adequate local pain relief with the insertion of intravenous catheters.

(C) Procedure

- 1. An order for the use of 1% Lidocaine for insertion of intravenous catheters will be obtained from the responsible physician.
- 2. The use of Lidocaine for insertion of intravenous catheters may be performed by nurses who are educated on:
 - a. Role of the nurse and physician
 - b. Guidelines for pain management
 - c. Procedure for administration of Lidocaine
 - d. Adverse reactions and corrective interventions
- 3. Patients may be selected for use of Lidocaine for the insertion of intravenous catheters based on the following criteria:
 - a. A larger gauge needle will be used (20 gauge or larger needle)
 - b. PICC line insertion
 - c. Those extremely agitated with venipuncture
- 4. Mosby Nursing Skills must be followed for the use of Lidocaine for the insertion of intravenous catheters, which includes guidelines for appropriate documentation.

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