


<p>Name of Policy: <u>Transporting Patients with Oxygen And/or Hardwired Cardiac Monitor for Tests or Procedures</u></p> <p>Policy Number: 3364-110-13-01</p> <p>Department: Nursing Service</p> <p>Approving Officer: Chief Nursing Officer (CNO)</p> <p>Responsible Agent: Chief Nursing Officer</p> <p>Scope: The University of Toledo Medical Center (UTMC)</p>	
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(A) Policy Statement

Small (E) Oxygen cylinders and tank holders will be available on floors 3, 4, 5, & 6, and in most patient care areas for use when transporting patients. During critical situations, a Registered Nurse (RN) will also accompany the patient who requires hardwired cardiac monitoring.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To facilitate transport of patients with or without a RN, oxygen, and/or hard-wired cardiac monitors.

(C) Procedure

1. The Nursing Unit will notify the transport dispatcher when a patient to be transported with an RN and hardwired cardiac monitor/O2 for a test or procedure.
2. The Transporter will obtain an E-cylinder or liquid oxygen and tank holder from the storage room.
3. Unit nursing personnel are responsible for placing, regulating, and disconnecting the oxygen.
4. Transport personnel are responsible for returning the tank holder and E-cylinder to the appropriate storage unit.
5. All employees are responsible for safe use and proper storage of O₂ cylinders.
6. Unit personnel are responsible for disconnecting the monitor and returning it to the appropriate area.

<p>Approved by:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Kurt Kless, MSN, MBA, RN, NE-BC Chief Nursing Officer</p> <p><i>Review: Policy & Standard Committee, 2/11, 4/14, 5/17, 5/2020, 6/2023</i> <i>Revision Completed By: Nancy Gauger, MSN, RN & Joseph Staccone, Transportation Services Manager</i></p>	<p>Review/Revision Date:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">1982</td> <td style="width: 33%;">1990</td> <td style="width: 33%;">5/2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1983</td> <td>5/1993</td> <td>6/2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1984</td> <td>1996</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1985</td> <td>5/1999</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1986</td> <td>2002</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1987</td> <td>2005</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1988</td> <td>7/11/2008</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1989</td> <td>3/2/2011</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>4.25.14</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>5/2017</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>Next Review Date: 6/2026</p>	1982	1990	5/2020	1983	5/1993	6/2023	1984	1996		1985	5/1999		1986	2002		1987	2005		1988	7/11/2008		1989	3/2/2011			4.25.14			5/2017	
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