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(A) Policy statement

The Electroencephalographer (EEG reader) or Neurologist on-call is to be notified immediately upon discovery that the EEG tracing shows evidence of possible status epilepticus.

(B) Purpose of Procedure

To recruit assessment for immediate patient care in response to suspected continuous epileptiform discharge.

(C) Procedure

(1) Detection and reporting.

- (a) Any EEG order that states the possibility of status epilepticus should have priority attention over all other orders and be treated as a STAT situation.
- (b) EEG tracings that reveal continuous or periodic epileptiform discharges that meet the criteria established for status epilepticus shall be reported to the EEG reader or neurologist on-call immediately.
- (c) Electrodes are not to be removed until the EEG can be assessed by the EEG reader for determination of the need for continuous EEG monitoring.

- (2) Continuous video monitoring.
  - (a) All EEG tracing samples performed on a given day in response to a discovery of status epilepticus shall be classified and performed as Long Term Continuous video Monitoring Epilepsy (LTME).
  - (b) Technique for continuous video monitoring shall be according to established policy.

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