Guideline: Proper Placement of Lead Wires

Guideline Number: RCMS 2

**<u>Responsible Department</u>:** Remote Cardiac Monitoring Station

Scope: University of Toledo Medical Center



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## **Procedure:**

- 1. Upon admission, a patient being placed on a hard wire/ telemetry monitor will have leads placed as followed (EASI Lead Placement):
  - a. Black to the top of the sternum
  - b. Brown to the bottom of the sternum
  - c. Red on the 5<sup>th</sup> intercostal space on the left mid axillary line
  - d. White to the 5<sup>th</sup> intercostal space on the right mid axillary line
  - e. Green is placed under the white lead below the ribs
- 2. RCMS techs will select a lead which will supply the most useful information according to the patients' normal rhythm and / or according to any dysrhythmias with the hardwire monitors.
- 3. A rhythm strip will be obtained and evaluated once every 12 hours according to guideline #4.



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