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Updated NCD Clinical Downtime Policy

The previous Downtime Policy and Procedures (1IM.ADM.0008) was due for renewal. As part of the renewal process, the policy was revised to streamline the content, align with the existing Downtime Playbooks, and eliminate unnecessary duplication. The updated policy has been approved and will go into effect on **August 24, 2026**.

Summary of Key Changes

GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK	Shifts from a detailed procedural manual to an enterprise governance framework
PLAYBOOKS FOR WORKFLOWS	Removes detailed, step-by-step workflows that are addressed in the Downtime Playbooks
READ-ONLY ACCESS	Defines read-only patient information access by function rather than by specific product name
ACTIVATION DECISIONS	Frames downtime activation decisions around clinical impact and patient safety
SHARED ACCOUNTABILITY	Clarifies shared accountability between clinical leadership and IT
RECOVERY EXPECTATIONS	Simplifies recovery language while maintaining expectations for appropriate documentation

What this means

These changes are intended to provide clear enterprise-level guidance while allowing the Downtime Playbooks to serve as the primary resource for detailed operational procedures.



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Adult Creatinine Clearance (Estimated) Flowsheet Update

Adult patient Flowsheet results will align with the dose calculator and consider BMI

For adult patients: "Creatinine Clearance (Estimated)" under PATIENT GRAPHICS in the Flowsheet tab will now populate from the dose calculator, so the displayed result reflects the corporate calculation approach, including BMI consideration.

OLD WAY

- The Flowsheet "Creatinine Clearance (Estimated)" value was generated by formulas that did not reflect the corporate standards used in the dose calculator.
- Because the Flowsheet used a separate calculation approach, the displayed value could differ from the dose calculator.

NEW WAY

- The Flowsheet will populate the creatinine clearance value calculated within the dose calculator.
- The displayed result will use the corporate-recommended standards, definitions and formulas used by the dose calculator and will consider the patient's BMI.

WHERE TO FIND IT

Flowsheet tab > PATIENT GRAPHICS > Creatinine Clearance (Estimated)

WHO IS AFFECTED

Adult patients

WHY THIS IS CHANGING

To align the Flowsheet result with the corporate-recommended calculation already used by the dose calculator.

WHAT IS NOT CHANGING

The dose calculator continues to use the corporate-recommended standards, definitions and formulas.

Clinical reminder

When reviewing adult creatinine clearance in the Flowsheet after go-live, expect the displayed "Creatinine Clearance (Estimated)" result to match the value calculated by the dose calculator.



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Adult Seizure PowerPlan Updates

Adult Seizure Treatment Plan + Phenytoin/Fosphenytoin Plan

What nurses need to know: The updated PowerPlans are designed to better align seizure care with guideline recommendations, including clearer nursing stabilization/monitoring, medication administration guidance, treatment-phase timing, and ICU continuous-sedation instructions.

AUDIENCE Nurses caring for adult patients where these PowerPlans are used.

WHY Improve clarity and alignment of dose, timing, monitoring, and status-epilepticus treatment guidance.

Adult Seizure Treatment Plan

- New nursing stabilization orders and monitoring.
- More transparency in available anti-seizure medication levels; free phenytoin levels are no longer in-house labs.
- Clear 5-, 10-, 10-, 30-, 30-, and 60-minute treatment phases.
- Updated seizure medication doses and administration instructions.
- ICU guidance for propofol, midazolam, ketamine, and pentobarbital.
- Nurse-directed re-bolus and titration instructions.
- No sedation holidays during refractory status epilepticus.
- Updated seizure treatment flowchart.

Phenytoin/Fosphenytoin Plan

- Separate loading-dose options for status and non-status seizures.
- Updated weight-based dosing and infusion rates.
- More specific blood-pressure monitoring instructions and guidance to reduce the infusion rate for low blood pressure.
- Updated phenytoin level timing.
- Reduced maintenance-dosing criteria.
- Clarified pharmacy rounding and weight calculations.
- Outdated statements removed, including prior TBI-use and cost-reference language.
- Links back to the parent Seizure PowerPlan for abortive benzodiazepine options.

Important reinforcement

Some points above reinforce existing practice rather than introduce new functionality. Prior IV push Keppra education remains applicable. Follow the updated PowerPlan instructions at go-live.

USE THE UPDATED PLAN	STATUS EPILEPTICUS	PHENYTOIN / FOSPHENYTOIN
Use the revised nursing stabilization/monitoring orders and updated seizure treatment flowchart.	Follow the timed treatment phases and ordered re-bolus/titration guidance; no sedation holidays during refractory status.	Follow updated loading/maintenance dosing, BP monitoring, infusion-rate, and phenytoin-level timing guidance.