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1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1 To provide accurate diagnostic test results upon which patient admission, discharge and transfer decisions will be made.

2. DEFINITONS:

- 2.1 **Diagnostic Tests** – any laboratory, radiologic or other procedures done for the patient that will help the physician reach final diagnosis.

3. POLICY:

- 3.1 It is the policy of Maternity and Children Hospital, Hafer Al Batin to ensure that all patients admitted to the hospital should have the standard diagnostic tests done prior to admission.

4. PROCEDURE:

- 4.1 Based on the initial assessment and diagnosis the following tests may be necessary to determine the final diagnosis. The tests may include but not limited to:
- 4.1.1 Blood tests:
 - 4.1.1.1 Hematology
 - 4.1.1.2 Biochemistry
 - 4.1.2 Radiology:
 - 4.1.2.1 Plain X-ray
 - 4.1.2.2 CT Scan
 - 4.1.2.3 Ultrasonography
 - 4.1.3 Cardiology:
 - 4.1.3.1 ECG
 - 4.1.3.2 ECHO
 - 4.1.4 Neurophysiology
 - 4.1.4.1 EEG
 - 4.1.5 CTG
- 4.2 Test result should be available for the admitting physician to assess the needs of the patient, and plan the care provided.
- 4.3 For emergency cases or for severely ill patients, if test results are not available, it should not be a hindrance for admission.
- 4.4 Patient admitted for surgery will be seen in the clinic for preoperative investigations prior to admission.
- 4.5 Patient referred with test results from another hospital will be reassessed for the need of further investigations.
- 4.6 Based on the results of the investigation it is determined if the needs of the patient matches the hospital scope of service and resources.

- 4.7 Patients are not admitted, transferred or referred before the test results required for these decisions are available.

5. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT:

N/A

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 6.1 Physician
6.2 Nurse

7. APPENDICES:

- 7.1 N/A

8. REFERENCES:

- 8.1 KAAH Medical Staff By Laws, 2013.
8.2 Guidelines for Emergency Department, Ministry of Health, 2013.

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