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Department:	Obstetrics and Gynecology (L&D)		
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Applies To:	All Obstetrics and Gynecology Staff		
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1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1 To observe the patient following vaginal delivery to avoid post-natal complication.
- 1.2 To identify patients at risk for postpartum complication and the institution of prophylactic measures to minimize the possibility of maternal mortality.
- 1.3 To facilitate immediate medical and nursing management for any complication that may arise.
- 1.4 To provide maternal optimal comfort for the restoration of usual body functions.

2. DEFINITIONS:

- 2.1 **Postpartum-** immediate care of the mother and the newborn during the first 2 hours post-delivery.

3. POLICY:

- 3.1 The patient must remain in the delivery room for 2 hours following delivery for close observation.
- 3.2 The qualified nurse or midwife must assess the fundus and must observe the amount of vaginal bleeding.
- 3.3 Notify the physician if noted increased respiration and pulse, decreased blood pressure and orthostatic changes which may indicate hemorrhage.

4. PROCEDURE:

- 4.1 Hand hygiene is a must.
- 4.2 PV examination by the Physician before shifting.
- 4.3 Inform post-natal ward of impending transfer.
- 4.4 IV cannula to be kept at least 8hrs if patient still in DR.
- 4.5 Transfer mother and child to post-natal ward, by wheel chair, after reassessment and order by obstetrician with complete notes and belongings.
- 4.6 Endorse to ward staff summarizing delivery and subsequent care and management.
- 4.7 After receiving endorsement from the delivery room nurse, assessment and evaluation must be done.
 - 4.7.1 Monitor vital signs.
 - 4.7.2 Palpate uterus to ensure contraction.
 - 4.7.3 Observe lochia for volume and consistency.
- 4.8 Observe whether patient has any pain or discomfort.
- 4.9 Ensure the patient is comfortable, may offer milk or tea if no further complication.
- 4.10 Encourage mother to cuddle her baby and assist breastfeeding.
- 4.11 Keep the newborn with the patient, however if newborn requires admission to the NICU, an explanation must be given.
- 4.12 Assist patient to bathroom and encourage micturation. Document if patient passed urine or not.
- 4.13 Document all relevant details in patient's file, birth register and kardex.

5. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT:

- 5.1 Vaginal Pad
- 5.2 Linen saver pad
- 5.3 Patient's gown

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 6.1 Physician
- 6.2 Nurses
- 6.3 Midwives

7. APPENDICES:


- 7.1 Newborn assessment form

8. REFERENCES:

- 8.1 Ministry of Health, General Nursing Administration, Functions and Duties Policies and Procedure

9. APPROVALS:

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<p>Hospital: _____ مستشفى:</p> <p>Region: _____ المنطقة/المحافظة:</p> <p>Dept./Unit: _____ القسم/الوحدة:</p>	

NEWBORN NURSING INITIAL/ ADMISSION ASSESSMENT FORM

I. ADMISSION SOURCE:				II. ADMISSION DIAGNOSIS			
<input type="checkbox"/> ER <input type="checkbox"/> LR <input type="checkbox"/> OR <input type="checkbox"/> OTHERS							
III. BIRTH HISTORY:							
BIRTH DATE / TIME:		V. ADMISSION DATE / TIME:		APGAR:		ID BRACELET #:	
				1minute		1minute	
TYPE OF DELIVERY: VAGINAL _____ C-SECTION _____ OTHERS _____				WEEKS OF GESTATION:		BLOOD TYPE / Rh	
PARAMETERS: BIRTHWEIGHT _____ gm (kg) / LENGTH _____ cm / HEAD CIRCUMFERENCE _____ cm / CHEST CIRCUMFERENCE _____ cm							
RESUSCITATION: NONE _____ OXYGEN _____ BAG / MASK _____ INTUBATION _____ CPR _____							
HEP «B» VACC: SITE _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____		VIT K: SITE _____ TIME _____ INT. _____		ERYTHROMYCIN (PROPHYLACTIC EYE TREATMENT) DATE/TIME: _____ INT. _____			
IV. MATERNAL HISTORY:							
MATERNAL AGE:		MAT BLOOD TYPE:		G /Para:		GBS:	
				PROM _____ HRS		MAT TEMP: _____ OTHER: _____	
III. PHYSICIAN NOTIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				PHYSICIAN NAME: _____ TIME: _____			
V. TRANSITION NOTE:							
DATE/TIME	TEMP	HR	RR	SPO2	BP	BLOOD GLUCOSE	ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY OBSERVATIONS ++= SPONTANEOUS +=WITH STIMULATION L=LMP							
VI. PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT:							
CATEGORY		OBSERVATIONS					COMMENTS (Finding Indicated by * require notes)
General Appearance		COLOR: <input type="checkbox"/> pink <input type="checkbox"/> pale <input type="checkbox"/> acrocyanosis* <input type="checkbox"/> jaundice*					
		CRY: <input type="checkbox"/> strong <input type="checkbox"/> weak <input type="checkbox"/> high-pitched*					
		TONE: <input type="checkbox"/> good tone <input type="checkbox"/> hypotonic* <input type="checkbox"/> hypertonic*					
		MATURITY: <input type="checkbox"/> term <input type="checkbox"/> pre-term <input type="checkbox"/> post-term					
Skin		<input type="checkbox"/> Clear <input type="checkbox"/> Peeling <input type="checkbox"/> Rash* <input type="checkbox"/> Bruising*					
		<input type="checkbox"/> Vernix <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae* <input type="checkbox"/> Mongolian spot					
Head		<input type="checkbox"/> intact <input type="checkbox"/> Molding <input type="checkbox"/> Caput <input type="checkbox"/> Bruising*					
		<input type="checkbox"/> Open Flat Fontanel <input type="checkbox"/> Cephalohematoma					
Eyes		<input type="checkbox"/> Clear <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge* <input type="checkbox"/> Jaundice* <input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhage					
ENT		<input type="checkbox"/> Intact <input type="checkbox"/> Palate <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Ear Setting					
		<input type="checkbox"/> Patent Nares <input type="checkbox"/> Nasal Flaring					

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Name: _____ الاسم: _____		MRN: _____ رقم الملف الطبي: _____	
Thorax	<input type="checkbox"/> Symmetrical <input type="checkbox"/> Clavicle (intact / fractured)		
Lungs	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear <input type="checkbox"/> Equal Expansion Bilaterally <input type="checkbox"/> Retractions*		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grunting* <input type="checkbox"/> Coarse <input type="checkbox"/> Breath Sounds* Abd. _____ cms		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Abdomen Soft / Distended* _____		
Heart	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Rate <input type="checkbox"/> Peripheral Pulses Bilaterally (Y/N)		
Abdomen	Abd. _____ cms Abdomen <input type="checkbox"/> Soft / Distended* _____		
	Umbilical cord <input type="checkbox"/> Bowel Sounds (present / diminished*/ absent*)		
Genitalia	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Ambiguous*		
	Testes: L _____ R _____ Discharge*		
Anus	Patent <input type="checkbox"/> Meconium (present* / absent*)		
Trunk – Spine	Gluteal Folds (equal/unequal*) <input type="checkbox"/> Hip Click (R/L)		
Extremities	Symmetrical <input type="checkbox"/> Extra Digits* <input type="checkbox"/> Syndactyly		
Reflexes (noted)	Moro <input type="checkbox"/> Grasp <input type="checkbox"/> Suck <input type="checkbox"/> Swallow		
VII. NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENT:			
FIRST FEED: <input type="checkbox"/> Breast Feed <input type="checkbox"/> Bottle Feed: Time _____ Type _____ Amount _____			
VIII. PAIN ASSESSMENT: CRIES NEONATAL PAIN SCALE			
• Any score above 4 indicates pain and infant should receive pain management intervention.			
CATEGORY	PARAMETERS	SCORE	PATIENT'S SCORE
Crying	No	0	
	High Pitched (Consolable)	1	
	Inconsolable	2	
Requires O ₂ for Sat greater than 95%	No	0	
	Less than 30%	1	
	greater than 30%	2	
Increased vital signs	HR, BP within 10% of Pre-Op value	0	
	11% to 20% greater than Pre-Op values	1	
	greater than 21% of Pre-Op values	2	
Expression	None	0	
	Grimace	1	
	Grimace/Grunt	2	
Sleeplessness	No	0	
	Wakes at frequent intervals	1	
	Constantly awake	2	
TOTAL PATIENT'S PAIN SCORE			
SCORING: <input type="checkbox"/> 0- 3 No pain <input type="checkbox"/> 4- 6 Moderate pain <input type="checkbox"/> 7- 10 Severe pain Note: Grimace consists of lowered brow, eyes squeezed shut, deepening nasolabial furrow, and open eyelids. Non-audible grunt - only heard with a stethoscope			
IX. "HUMPTY DUMPTY" FALL RISK ASSESSMENT: (Write & sum up the appropriate answer from "a" to 'g' to get the total) SCORE: _____ (If score is 12 or above at risk for falls) Minimum Score = 7 Maximum Score = 23			
Parameters	Criteria	Score	Patient's Score
a) Age	Less than 3 years old	4	
	3 to less than 7 years old	3	
	7 to less than 13 years old	2	
	13 years and above	1	
b) Gender	Male	2	
	Female	1	
c) Diagnosis	Neurological Diagnosis	4	
	Alterations in Oxygenation (Respiratory Diagnosis, Dehydration, Anemia, Anorexia, Syncope/Dizziness, etc.)	3	
	Psychological/Behavioral Disorders	2	
	Other Diagnosis	1	
d) Cognitive Impairments	Not aware of Limitation	3	
	Forgets Limitations	2	
	Oriented to own ability	1	

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e) Environmental Factors	History of falls or Infant-Toddler placed in bed	4	
	Patient uses assistive devices or Infant-Toddler in crib or Furniture/Lighting (Tripled room)	3	
	Patient placed in bed	2	
	Outpatient Area	1	
f) Response to Surgery/Sedation/Anesthesia	Within 24 hours	3	
	Within 48 hours	2	
	More than 48 hours/None	1	
g) Medication Usage	Multiple usage of : Sedatives (excluding ICU patients sedated and paralyzed) Hypnotics, Barbiturates, Phenothiazines, Antidepressants, Laxatives/Diuretics, Narcotics	3	
	One of the medication listed above	2	
	Other medications/None	1	
TOTAL PATIENT'S FALL RISK SCORE			
X. SKIN RISK ASSESSMENT: NEONATAL / INFANT BRADEN Q SCALE (NIBQS) (Write number adjacent to descriptor; add for total score)			
Parameters	Criteria	Score	Patient's Score
a) Gestational age	Less than 28 wks.	1	
	greater than 28- Less than 33 wks.	2	
	greater than 33- Less than 38 wks.	3	
	greater than 38wks.	4	
b) Mobility	Completely immobile	1	
	Very limited	2	
	Slightly limited	3	
	No limitation	4	
c) Activity	Bedfast	1	
	Very limited	2	
	Slightly limited	3	
	No limitation	4	
d) Sensory perception	Completely limited	1	
	Very limited	2	
	Slightly limited	3	
	No impairment	4	
e) Moisture	Constantly moist	1	
	Very moist	2	
	Occasionally moist	3	
	Rarely moist	4	
f) Friction/ Shear	Significant problem	1	
	Problem	2	
	Potential problem	3	
	No apparent problem	4	
g) Nutrition	Very poor	1	
	Inadequate	2	
	Adequate	3	
	Excellent	4	
h) Tissue perfusion & oxygenation	Extremely compromised	1	
	Compromised	2	
	Adequate	3	
	Excellent	4	
TOTAL PATIENT'S SKIN RISK SCORE			
Score: _____ If Less than 20 At risk for skin breakdown Diaper Dermatitis risk:* (identification of one or more risk factors+ enteral feeding = dermatitis risk.) <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent stool <input type="checkbox"/> Bowel surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Short gut <input type="checkbox"/> hyper-caloric feeding <input type="checkbox"/> PGEs <input type="checkbox"/> On Antibiotics <input type="checkbox"/> Prolonged NPO status			

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Interventions: <input type="checkbox"/> Skin cleansing/protection <input type="checkbox"/> Gel pillow <input type="checkbox"/> Sheepskin <input type="checkbox"/> Scheduled turning <input type="checkbox"/> Tegaderm <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce friction/shear <input type="checkbox"/> Petroleum jelly ointment <input type="checkbox"/> Desitin ointment <input type="checkbox"/> Citric acid ointment <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ Comments: _____		
XI. OTHERS: (oral and nasogastric tubes, dressing, restraint (splint), umbilical catheter)		
XII. SAFETY:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Cardio-respiratory audible alarms at 70% volume <input type="checkbox"/> Oximeter alarm settings: Low _____ High _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Bag/mask/suction@ bedside: FIO2 _____ <input type="checkbox"/> IV fluids/rate verified <input type="checkbox"/> High risk medication infusion dose/rate verified <input type="checkbox"/> Bed appropriate for developmental level <input type="checkbox"/> Radiant warmer <input type="checkbox"/> Incubator; NTE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Bassinette <input type="checkbox"/> NICU Crib <input type="checkbox"/> Pedi Crib <input type="checkbox"/> I.D. Band x 2 <input type="checkbox"/> I.D. band location: 1 _____ 2 _____ MR# _____		
XIII. PSYCHOSOCIAL :		
Patient / family express or demonstrate coping: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Family active in care: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Detail: _____ Support needs identified: <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional support <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreter <input type="checkbox"/> Social worker <input type="checkbox"/> Chaplain <input type="checkbox"/> Lactation consultant		
XIV. DISCHARGE PLANNING		
SOCIOECONOMIC NEEDS: Lack of needed caregiver; family support At risk of abuse or neglect Inadequate resources: insurance, financial Foster parent, guardian etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	XIII. EDUCATIONAL / GENERAL NEEDS: Repeated, unscheduled admissions <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Newly diagnosed chronic/terminal illness <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Family education needed for in-home care <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Immunization awareness <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
PHYSICAL NEEDS: Metabolic Screening	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	PHYSICAL DEFICITS Cardiovascular <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Respiratory <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Neurological <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example
ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS: Change in living arrangements In-home care or equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
REFERRAL INDICATED: Referral sent to: Social Services Home Care	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Others _____ High risk indicated but no referral sent, why? _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Sensory/Speech <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Gastrointestinal/Nutritional <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Genitourinary <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Musculoskeletal/Mobility <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Skin/Wound <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Cognitive/Mental <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Endocrine <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Language Barrier <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No example Other Concerns: _____		
RN NAME (Assessor) _____ Signature _____ Designation _____ Job number _____ Date & Time _____		
Note: Please fill-up the data required completely and legibly. Put check () if applicable. Use military time on your documentation. Affix your initial, date and time at the bottom of each page. Draw a line across empty spaces.		

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Hospital: _____ مستشفى: Region: _____ المنطقة/المحافظة: Dept./Unit: _____ القسم/الوحدة:	

PHYSICIAN NEWBORN ASSESSMENT FORM

Date: ____/____/____	Time: _____
Gestational age: _____	Chronological age: _____
Birth weight: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Inborn <input type="checkbox"/> Out born
Reason for admission: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	
Maternal History:	Age: _____ Gravida: _____ Parity: _____ Abortion: _____ Term: _____ Living: _____
Chronic disease and previous obstetrical history (diabetes, hypertension, neonatal death, Rh ISO, infant death, etc.....) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	
Current pregnancy related illness (hypertension, diabetes, oligohydramnios, bleeding, infection, etc.....) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	
Antenatal ultrasound findings: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	
Medications during pregnancy (tocolysis, steroids, antibiotics, etc.....) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	
Family history (Consanguinity, congenital anomalies, metabolic disease, etc.....) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	

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(Psychosocial history) (home environment, occupation of father and mother, problems, family support system, etc.....)	
(Labor) (spontaneous, induced, PROM, fetal distress, etc.....)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Infant <input type="checkbox"/> Apgar score: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 min. <input type="checkbox"/> 5 mins. <input type="checkbox"/> 10 mins. <input type="checkbox"/> Delivery: <input type="checkbox"/> SVD <input type="checkbox"/> C/S <input type="checkbox"/> Forceps <input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum	
Resuscitation (initial steps, IPPV, intubation, cardiac massage, medications,, volume, surfactant)	
Physical examination: Weight _____ / _____ % Length _____ / _____ % HC _____ / _____ %	
Ballard assessment: _____ Dates: ____ / ____ / ____ Exam _____	
Temperature: _____ PR: _____ RR: _____ BP: _____	
General: Color: _____ O ² saturation: _____ Posture: _____	
Skin: _____	
Head, face dysmorphism: _____	
Eye, red reflex: _____	
ENT: _____	
Neck: _____	
Chest/ Lungs: _____	
CVS: _____	
Abdomen and genitalia: _____	
CNS (TONE, POWER, DTR, etc.....)	

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