

PR33: PCP LifePak 15 IFT Procedure

Applicable To

- PCP and above

Introduction

To provide clear guidelines for the Primary Care Paramedic (PCP) inter-facility transport (IFT) of stable patients requiring electrocardiogram (ECG) monitoring.

Indications

All of the following criteria must be met prior to the initiation of transport:

- Patients must have been pre-screened by EPOS or Critical Care Paramedic Advisor (CCP-A) for appropriateness of transport
- No current or ongoing chest pain
- SpO₂ > 92%
- Systolic blood pressure > 90 mmHg
- Glasgow Coma Scale 15/15

CliniCall consultation required to confirm transport in the following circumstances:

- Heart rate < 50 or > 100 beats/minute
- Recent cardiac dysrhythmias within six hours of transport
- Recent cardiac chest pain within three hours of transport
- Recent thrombolysis within three hours of transport

Procedure

1. Assess the patient for indications.
2. Complete a full assessment including:
 - Full patient history
 - Complete physical exam
 - Vital signs
 - Baseline ECG
3. Indications met with EPOS/CCP-A approval:
 1. Continue with monitoring
 2. Confirm transport logistics of transfer
 3. Load and transport patient
4. Change in patient condition during transport:
 - If the patient becomes unstable during transport:
 - Unresponsive or decreased LOC
 - Seizures
 - Hypotension
 - Cardiac chest pain
 - Severe shortness of breath with dyspnea
 - Contact CliniCall/CCP-A for consultation
 - If closer to hospital, transport directly to the hospital and notify dispatch of the change in patient status.
 - If closer to an arriving critical care transport team, notify team and continue meet.

Notes

See also: [LifePak 15 Primary Care Paramedic Standard Operating Procedure](#)

Resources

For clinical support please contact Clinical (1-833-829-4099)

For additional information contact your regional Paramedic Practice Educator (PPEd)

