

OR to ICU Handoff

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Handoff Leads | Critical Care RN & Critical Care Physician/APP

- Vital signs obtained, monitoring transferred, all other conversations & distractions stopped**
- Confirm patient** with 2 patient identifiers
- All team members** present and introduce themselves by name and role



Surgeon Report | Attending, Fellow or Resident

- Relevant Surgical History**
- Surgical Course:** Procedure performed, indication for operation, significant intraoperative events
- Post-Operative Management**
 - **Hemodynamic Parameters:** MAP/SBP/ICP
 - **Fluid Goals & Transfusion Triggers**
 - **Lines/Drains/Tubes:** Ok to use? Ok to Remove?
 - **Wound care & Dressings**
 - **Nutrition:** Bowel continuity, Safe for PO, Enteral Access, When to start diet or tube feeds?
 - **Anticoagulation:** Prophylactic/Therapeutic, Agent, When to start?
 - **Antibiotics:** Duration?
 - **Mobility:** Weight bearing status
- Planned return to the operating room?**
- Family updated:** Primary contact & last updated
- Length of Stay:** Projected ICU & Hospital Course
- Call triggers:** Hemodynamic changes, Neurologic status change, Need for transfusion, Wound complications, etc.
- Surgical Team Contact Information**



Anesthesia Report | Attending, Fellow, Resident, or CRNA

- Significant Past Medical History:** Allergies, Code Status, Weight
- Cardiac History:** Last ECHO, Most recent Ejection Fraction, Arrhythmia, Valvular Disease, Devices (settings)
- Anesthesia Course**
 - **Airway:** Method, View, Tube size, Difficulties?
 - **Monitoring:** Lines, Foley, IV Access, ICP Monitors
 - **Medications:** Antiarrhythmics, Antibiotics, Anticoagulants, Antiemetics, Insulin, Paralytic (reversal), Pain Medication, Pressors, Steroids, etc.
 - **Input:** Crystalloid, Albumin, Blood Product (Whole Blood, pRBC, FFP, Plt, Cryo)
 - **Output:** Blood Loss, Urine Output
 - **Recent Labs:** Last ABG/Hgb/Blood Glucose
- Current State & Anticipatory Guidance**
 - **Neurological Status:** Baseline?
 - **Pain/Sedation Management**
 - **Respiratory Status:** Ventilator settings, Wean to extubate?
 - **Hemodynamic**
 - **Current Infusions:** Dosages
 - **Blood Product Availability**
- Anesthesia Team Contact Information**



ICU Team | Critical Care RN & Critical Care Physician/APP

- Open discussion with questions and/or clarification**
 - Pathways or research protocols
 - **Read Back:** Summarize immediate plan of care, prioritize critical concerns
 - Confirm **contact information** and **call triggers**
- Confirm ICU orders placed and correct**

Announce that HANDOFF is COMPLETE

