

Patient Teams Accepted:

Observation Hospitalist (Pager 2590)

Request to Admit – 7JPP – ED Only

Observation Hospitalist reviews patient

If accepted by team, bed request placed for 7JPP

Family Medicine Observation (Pager 4070)

Preferred Patient Population:

- Low severity of illness
- Low intensity of nursing care services
- Limited specialty consults anticipated for acute conditions
- Weekend and evening infusions/injections (Transplant Clinic, Infusion Center)
- Anticipated length of stay > 4 hours and <24 hours or less than two midnights

Exclusion Criteria:

- Pediatric patients < 18 years of age
- OB patients > 20 weeks gestation
- Patients with known 1:1 needs
 - suicidal or homicidal patients
 - behavioral restraints
 - patients with active psychiatric committal
- Patients requiring more assistance than resources available on unit
 - Consider lift equipment, patient census and staffing
 - If unable to meet needs, understanding to transfer patient to inpatient unit
- Admissions for placement needs (Skilled, Rehab, NH)
 - Patients who are permanent NH residents considered
 - With COVID waiver still in place, three midnights not mandatory for placement, can admit to 7JPP with understanding of transfer to inpatient unit if admission exceeds 48 hours
- Patients requiring advanced medication infusions (Cardene, Esmolol, etc.)
 - Heparin and insulin infusions allowed
- Patients wearing Life Vest with cardiopulmonary diagnosis
 - Patients wearing a Life Vest can be admitted to the 7 JPP observation service unless the patient presents with a primary cardiovascular-pulmonary diagnosis (chest pain, palpitations, arrhythmia, CHF exacerbation, pulmonary edema, severe electrolyte disturbance etc.)
- Patients requesting inpatient detox
 - Anticipated length of stay will likely exceed > 48 hours
 - Patients can be admitted in observation status to any other medicine service
- Patients with alcohol dependence, scoring > 6 on CIWA scale at the time of admission
 - Patients with alcohol abuse disorder presenting with non-alcohol related conditions can be admitted to the service as long as their CIWA score does not exceed 6 at the time of triage