**PPNO List Serv Query Summary Template**

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We are looking to learn if anyone has any discharge criteria from PACU to inpatients after neuraxial anesthesia?

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| Melissa Pelletier, RN, BScN, CNeph(C)  Clinical Educator  Renal Program  Professional Practice  Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre  201 Georgian Drive  Barrie, Ontario  L4M 6M2  [pelletierm@rvh.on.ca](mailto:pelletierm@rvh.on.ca) | After neuraxial anesthesia we use the following for discharge criteria:  •             Modified Aldrete  •             Richmond Agitation Sedation Scale  •             Bromage Score  •             Sensory Dermatomes |  |
| **Christine Mainse RN, BScN**  Clinical Educator  Kingston Health Sciences Centre  Hotel Dieu Hospital Site  [Christine.Mainse@kingstonhsc.ca](mailto:Christine.Mainse@kingstonhsc.ca) | Our PACU discharge criteria are contained within our Medical Directive.  I hope this is the type of information your looking for.  See attached. |  |
| Ashley Balloway, RN, BScN  Nurse Clinician-PACU  Health Sciences North | Horizon Santé-Nord  Tel: 705.523.7100 ext. 3132  [aballoway@hsnsudbury.ca](mailto:aballoway@hsnsudbury.ca)  [www.hsnsudbury.ca](http://www.hsnsudbury.ca/) | In our PACU, a patient would meet discharge criteria after spinal anesthesia if they regress by two dermatomes (see attached) & passes our PACU discharge criteria. Hope this answers your question  |  |
| **Melissa Monardo OT Reg. (Ont.)**  Health Disciplines Professional Practice Leader  Interprofessional Practice  Lakeridge Health  T. 905.576.8711 ext.33876  C: 905.252.6617  [mmonardo@lh.ca](mailto:mmonardo@lh.ca) | Good afternoon, I have attached the table which shows the minimum requirement for assessment.  To be discharged from PACU the patients need to show evidence of initiation of regression of neurologic blockade prior to discharge to the patient care unit. A minimum of two dermatome level regression is an acceptable demonstration of block regression -from the time of admission to PACU and movement in all four extremities. |  |
| Sue Bow  Critical Care Educator(Interim)  Pembroke Regional Hospital  613-732-2811 Ext 6644 |  |  |
| Heather Hartley  Quinte Health Care | I have attached our Medical Directive for discharge from the PACU. We recognize we need to make this more robust for patients receive regional anesthetic as in the era of COVID more patients are being discharged home following regional anesthetic. I know Peterborough was working on this so hopefully they respond to your query as last I heard it was nearly finalized. |  |