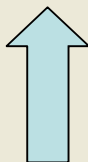


STEP 1: Shortness of breath Nursing triage orders.

Severe Respiratory Failure

Shortness of breath and/or LE edema "WITHOUT" chest pain

Shortness of breath and/or LE edema "WITH" chest pain

Online Clinical Guidelines (Treatment Pathways)

Arrow 1: Link to online Heart Failure clinical guidelines (see figure 2)

STEP 2: Clinical Decision Guide: MD Initial Treatment

Severe Respiratory Failure

Shortness of breath WITHOUT chest pain

Shortness of Breath WITH chest pain

STEP 3: Clinical Decision Guide: MD Re-evaluation

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STEP 4: Clinical Decision Guide: MD final assessment

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Arrow 2: The triage nurse implements the Heart Failure clinical pathway.

Individual heart failure orders

NURSING ORDERS

ECG stat and w/subsequent chest pain

Cardiac Monitor

Place pt on Bedrest

Saline Lock

Oxygen

Vital Signs & O2 Sats

NPO

IV MEDICATIONS/DRIPS

IV fluids...

Heparin IV Drip

NTG IV Drip

Morphine IVP

Metoprolol IVP

OTHER MEDICATIONS

Aspirin (chewable)

NTG SL

NTG Paste

Metoprolol p.o.

Simvastatin p.o.

Build your own "non-IV" med

CONSULTS/PROCEDURES/EXAMS

Chest X-ray (Stat Portable)

Cardiology (Stat Consult)

Cardiac Cath (Stat Consult)

LABS

Cardiac Markers (x1 stat)

Cardiac Markers (x3 over 90min)

BNP X1 Now

Other "Stat" labs...

TRANSFER/ADMIT NOTIFICATION

Transport to Cath Lab STAT

From Cath Lab, Transfer to:

Admit to: