

DEATH OF A PATIENT CHECKLIST

- After patient has expired, inform Attending MD. Depending on the circumstances you may want to wait for the patient to be pronounced.
- Inform Nursing Supervisor @ 415-500-1661
- Inform Chaplain. Pgr. 201-5794. Helps with family & paperwork.
-Chaplain will also transport body to the morgue later.
- Hospitalist or Nursing Supervisor may pronounce patient.
- Remind Attending MD to call the family. This is MD's responsibility!!
- Remind MD to call you back with name of who he notified.
- Make sure Medical Examiner is called @ 415-553-1694. Document State Case Number and Badge number they provide.

Indications for Autopsy:

- a) Any Burn
- b) Has been here less than 24 hours.
- c) Expired Intra-operatively.

- Begin Notification of Death Form. Go to Ad Hoc → Discharge/Transfer/Documentation → Notification of Death Form
- Chaplain can help with this.
- Make sure Medical Examiner is called @ 415-553-1694. Document State Case Number and Badge number they provide.
- Ask Medical Examiner what documents they need printed.
- Call Donor Network @ 1-800-553-6667
- *Best place for dentures is in the patients mouth.
- *No jewelry to be left on body.
- *Send any jewelry and valuables with Security.
- **Document what was sent with body *and* what was sent with security**
- Notification to Admitting regarding patient's death.