



## Week 5 Learning Objectives (Tech):

## PATIENT COUPLING AND UNCOUPLING/PATIENT COMPLICATIONS/HD MACHINE ALARMS & TROUBLESHOOTING

## **Clinical Unit Focus:**

- Trainee performs initiation and termination of dialysis treatment (coupling/uncoupling) with preceptor supervision
- Preceptor to review patient complications and unusual patient situations (restroom use, recirculation of machine during treatment, etc.)
  - Preceptor/trainee can discuss emergency scenarios and appropriate steps for patient care and safety
- Trainee to assist with unusual patient situations as time allows and with preceptor supervision
- Preceptor to Review HD machine alarms
  - Have trainee troubleshoot as many machine alarms as possible, even going to other pods.
- Trainee continues to perform access care including CVC care & needle cannulation and removal
- Trainee continues to perform lab draws and associated lab vendor workflows
- Trainee continues to perform pre, intra, post-dialysis data collection and reporting to a nurse
- Trainee monitors patients during treatment and documents appropriately
- Trainee continues to perform setting up and tear down of machines
- Trainee continues to perform environmental cleaning of stations
- Trainee continues to perform EMR documentation

## By the end of this clinical week the new employee will continue to:

- 1. Troubleshoot most common HD machine alarms
- 2. Have a basic understanding of patient complications and tech level interventions
- 3. Assess the access, select puncture sites, place needles and tape per NKC procedure
- 4. Collect lab specimens
- 5. Pull needles (one at a time), stop bleeding, apply dressing, and document in EMR
- 6. Trouble shoot access issues (AVF/AVG/CVC) within tech scope of practice
- 7. Gather pre, intra & post dialysis data and share with nurse as needed
- 8. Prepare supplies & syringes for patient "ON" & "OFF"
- 9. Set up the machine for dialysis per NKC procedure
- 10. Clean the dialysis station and turn over for next patient
- 11. Document pre, intra & post dialysis data including access care in EMR (Electronic Medical Record)
- 12. Demonstrate appropriate hand disinfection techniques and PPE use

What is going well/what did not go well? (Debrief the day/week of clinical training.)
What areas need improvement? (Areas of focus during the next day/week of clinical training.)
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