

Chemotherapy Precautions Documentation for Nurses and Paramedics

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Summary: A selection has been added to the ED Triage form and Patient Care Alerts to indicate that a patient has had chemotherapy within the last 48 hours. Chemotherapy precautions should be selected when the patient has received chemotherapy within 48 hours of the hospital visit or during the hospital visit.

When: March 19th, 2024

Why: This change improves safety for patients and staff by allowing proper precautions to be placed and facilitates bed assignment.

Support: Help Desk at 231-935-6053

New Chemotherapy Documentation in the ED Triage form and Patient Care Alerts

To Document from the ED Triage form:

1. On the triage form, select **Yes** in the new **Chemotherapy in Last 48 Hours** field.

Daily Opioid Use Last 7 Days No (Opioid Naive) Yes (Opioid tolerant) **1** **Chemotherapy in Last 48 Hours** Yes No

Go to Vital Signs Open Broset Violence Checklist Not applicable for patient Go to Broset Violence Checklist History of Violence Open

2. In the pop-up window, select **Chemotherapy precautions**.

Patient Care Alerts - Chemotherapy Precautions

Please document Chemotherapy precautions below

Any selections in this field are valid for all visits, until deselected and/or None is selected

Special Needs

ALL visits

2 Chemotherapy precautions

<input type="checkbox"/> none	<input type="checkbox"/> Confused	<input type="checkbox"/> nurse to accompany	<input type="checkbox"/> transplant patient
<input type="checkbox"/> Abusive behavior	<input type="checkbox"/> Harassing behavior	<input type="checkbox"/> paraplegic	<input type="checkbox"/> vision impaired
<input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive behavior	<input type="checkbox"/> hearing impaired	<input type="checkbox"/> patient cannot read	<input type="checkbox"/> wandering behavior
<input type="checkbox"/> autologous blood donor	<input type="checkbox"/> implantable device	<input type="checkbox"/> Potential/History of violence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> No NGT- Major GI Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> Insulin dependent	<input type="checkbox"/> pregnant	
<input type="checkbox"/> breast feeding	<input type="checkbox"/> interpreter needed	<input type="checkbox"/> Prosthesis	
<input type="checkbox"/> cognitive impairment	<input type="checkbox"/> legally blind	<input type="checkbox"/> quadriplegic	
<input type="checkbox"/> combative	<input type="checkbox"/> mobility impaired	<input type="checkbox"/> sleep apnea	
	<input type="checkbox"/> no blood products	<input type="checkbox"/> speech impaired	

To Document from AdHoc:

1. Go to AdHoc from the patient's chart.
2. Find the **Patient Care Alerts** form within the AdHoc folder.
3. In the Special Needs section, select **Chemotherapy precautions**.

2 Nebulizer Therapy

NIH Stroke Scale - Initial

Patient Care Alerts

Patient Update - ED

3 Chemotherapy precautions

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ALL visits

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<input type="checkbox"/> breast feeding	<input type="checkbox"/> interpreter needed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chemotherapy precautions	<input type="checkbox"/> legally blind
<input type="checkbox"/> cognitive impairment	<input type="checkbox"/> mobility impaired
<input type="checkbox"/> combative	<input type="checkbox"/> no blood products

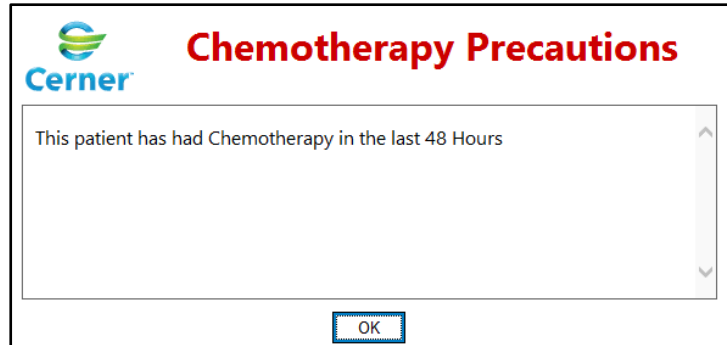
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By documenting Chemotherapy precautions in the Special Needs section, an **alert will pop up** the first time staff accesses the chart so that proper precautions can be implemented.

Precautions include:

- i. Private room for the patient.
- ii. Gowns, eye protection, and double gloves when handling bodily fluids.
- iii. No pregnant or breastfeeding staff are to take care of the patient.



To Discontinue Precautions:

1. On the **Patient Care Alerts** form, deselect **Chemotherapy precautions**. Select **none** if there are no other **Special Needs** selected.

Patient Care Alerts - Chemotherapy Precautions			
Please document Chemotherapy precautions below			
<small>Any selections in this field are valid for all visits, until deselected and/or None is selected</small>			
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