

OBSERVATIONS

FLUID BALANCE
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NEUROVASCULAR
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Ward E3

ASSESSMENT TOOLS

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Emergency Protocols for Patient Controlled Analgesia and Epidural Infusion

- 1. Respiratory rate below 10/min:** stop infusion, administer oxygen 4 litres/min, Apply oxygen saturation monitor, monitor respiratory rate every 15 mins and inform resident doctor.
- 2. Respiratory rate below 8/min:** sedation score 3 or unrousable, stop infusion, administer oxygen 4 litres/min, continuously monitor respiratory rate and oxygen saturation and prepare to administer Naloxone 0.4 mg IV/IM. Inform duty anaesthetist.
- 3. Apnoeic or pulseless - Immediate Crash Call 4444**
- 4. Hypotension:** If Systolic BP falls below 90 mmHG lie patient flat, raise legs administer oxygen and infuse 250ml Haemaccel. Inform surgical staff remember other causes apart from opioids or epidurals.
- 5. Numbness above nipples (T4)** stop infusion and inform duty anaesthetist.

REMEMBER: *No additional opiates by any route. Naloxone and ephedrine and pulse oximeters available on ward*