

Policy title-Safe Handling of Intravesicular Mitomycin	Prepared by: Shelia Shuford, RN, BSN, CPAN
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Purpose: This policy describes the safe acquisition, handling and disposal of Intravesicular Mitomycin.

# STAFF MAY ALSO REFER TO LIPPINCOTT PROCEDURE FOR CHEMOTHERAPY ADMINISTRATION INTRAVESICULAR MITOMYCIN

## **Policy: SUMMARY**

Mitomycin is a chemotherapeutic agent that is instilled into the bladder in the PACU by ONLY the surgeon or advanced care practitioner. Safe handling of the Mitomycin throughout the perianesthesia period ensures optimal drug therapy while minimizing direct exposure to patients and clinical staff

## PERFORMED BY

Physician, Advanced Care Practitioner including nurse practitioner and physician assistant

## NOTE

Appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for the handling of Mitomycin, patient linens, or any other patient excreta includes the following:

- A. Requires wearing two pairs of chemo rated gloves
- B. Wear goggles or face shield if splashing is anticipated
- C. Chemotherapy rated gown required for the administration of Mitomycin
- D. Change gloves after each use, tear, puncture, medication spill, or 30 min of wear. Gowns should be changed immediately upon exposure due to splash or spill of hazardous agent or after 2-3 hours of wear.

## INTERVENTION

## **OPERATING ROOM**

- 1. The physician office schedules patient for the use of Mitomycin thru the OR scheduler and order shall be sent to the pharmacy at least 72 hours prior to the day of procedure for attainment of product and preparation.
- 2. OR staff shall request Mitomycin after provider has evaluated patient for need while in the OR.

## PACU

1. A Yellow hazardous bin is available for disposal of yellow hazardous waste bags in PACU. Yellow hazardous waste bags are brought to PACU with the patient by OR nurse at

completion of surgical procedure.

- PACU RN notifies surgeon/advanced practice clinician when Mitomycin is available for instillation by MD. Blue absorbent pads are placed under patient and under catheter prior to instillation to absorb any possible leakage and to protect patient's skin
- 3. PACU RN records administration in MAR at time of administration by MD/Advanced practice clinician (ACP) by scanning medication label on Mitomycin syringe prepared by pharmacy.
- 4. MD/ACP instills Mitomycin into bladder using OnGuard CSTD Adaptor to minimize any leakage of medication (PACU stocks adaptor to attach to foley from syringe. RN must provide adaptor at bedside in PACU for MD to use). MD clamps the foley catheter and orders amount of time Mitomycin is to dwell in patient's bladder. MD may also order repositioning of patient to ensure medication comes in contact with all sides of the bladder.
- 5. In the event of a spill: Immediately alert charge nurse, pharmacy, and environmental services of the event. If overt skin exposure occurs, refer to Policy and Procedure and Clinical Practice Guidelines for: Handling and Administration of Hazardous Drugs. CHEMO SPILL KIT IS LOCATED IN PACU FOR USE, IF NEEDED.
- 6. Always change the foley bag prior to transferring the patient to the floor for admission. Wear proper PPE (2 pairs of chemo-rated gloves, face shield or goggles and chemo-rated gown). Dispose of foley bag in yellow hazardous waste bin in PACU.
- 7. Call report to nurse assuming care of the patient and provide appropriate hand-off communication. Label foley bag with green chemo sticker. Inform staff of need to dispose of catheter and bag when discontinued in yellow hazardous waste bag and bin.
- 8. In the event that the patient is discharged home in PACU, follow the MD's orders regarding removal of the bladder catheter. The PACU nurse will:
  - a. Obtain a yellow hazardous waste bin.
  - b. Wear a gown and double gloves and face shield or goggles to remove foley catheter prior to discharge. Wrap the catheter in disposable blue pad leaving syringe attached. After double flushing the contents of bag in the commode, dispose of foley bag and catheter in yellow chemotherapy bin.
  - c. Ensure patient and family education regarding hazardous agent is performed and documented. For patient teaching, refer to Lippincott procedures for Chemotherapy Administration, Intravesicular (bladder) procedures for Mitomycin.

## TRANSFER TO OUTPATIENT SURGERY AREA FOR DISCHARGE

- 1. When obtaining a room in OPS, a room with a private bathroom is preferred when available. Ensure that patient/family and staff are educated on the need to double flush any excreta.
- 2. Ensure patient and family education regarding hazardous agent is performed and documented. For patient teaching, refer to Lippincott procedures for Chemotherapy administration, intravesicular (bladder) Mitomycin.

## DOCUMENTATION

- 1. Document the medication administered by MD/ Advanced Practice Clinician in the electronic medication administration record (MAR).
- 2. Document any adverse effects experienced and actions taken.
- 3. Document the amount of flush (if any ordered to use) instilled in bladder and patient urinary output following the retention period.
- 4. Document all patient and family (if applicable) teaching and their understanding of that teaching.