

Donation after Death Determination by Neurologic Criteria Order Set (Adult)

Administrative

- Dr. _____ to consult/assume MRP
- Allergies or hypersensitivities? No Yes: (list) _____
- MRSA screening and clinical management protocol

Monitoring

- Weight: _____ kg actual estimate
- Height: _____ cm actual estimate
- Continuous cardiac/SpO₂ monitoring
- Heart Rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure (arterial where possible) q1h and PRN
- Intake and output q1h
- Core temperature (esophageal, rectal, bladder, central venous or arterial catheter) q4h and PRN
- _____

Tubes/Lines

Naso/Orogastric Tube

- If not using for nutritional support, Nasogastric tube or Orogastric tube to straight drainage

Urinary Catheter

- Urinary catheter to urometer

Interventions

- For all potential kidney donors, maintain core temperature between 34.0 and 35.0 degrees Celsius (stop if kidney donation excluded by Ontario Health [TGLN])
- If kidney donation excluded by Ontario Health (TGLN) – warming blanket to maintain core temperature between 35.5 degrees Celsius and 37.0 degrees Celsius
- Apply Lacri-Lube® or alternative ophthalmic lubricant to both eyes q2-4h
- Turn patient q2h
- Head of bed elevated at 35 – 45 degrees (as tolerated)

Laboratory Investigations

Initial Investigations

- Blood for Serology and Human Leukocyte Antigen (consult with Ontario Health (Trillium Gift of Life Network) [TGLN])
- Ontario Health (TGLN) will provide tubes and arrange specimen transport
 - Draw prior to fluid bolus and/or transfusion if possible

Blood Bank

- Group+Screen
- If blood group A or AB subtyping must be requested (consult with Ontario Health [TGLN])

- Initial labs (as below) to be done q6h and PRN**

Hematology and Coagulation

- CBC INR

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Laboratory Investigations Continued....

Chemistry

- Electrolytes Albumin Bilirubin (total and direct), ALT, AST, ALP, LDH, GGT, Lipase
 Creatinine Lactate
 Glucose Magnesium, Calcium, Phosphate

Toxicology

Serum and urine toxicology screen for all patients except if possibility of overdose ruled out by MD or previously done

- Serum toxicology screen (if indicated by admission history or previous results)
 Urine toxicology screen

Supplemental Laboratory Investigations

- Activated Partial Thromboplastin Time (aPTT) **NOW** and PRN
 Protein (Total) **NOW** and PRN
 Amylase **NOW** and PRN
 Hemoglobin A1C **NOW**
 Capillary glucose monitoring PRN and as per hospital policy/procedure
 Blood Urea Nitrogen **NOW** and PRN
 Urinalysis **NOW** and q24h
 If patient known to have Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes-urine albumin to creatinine ratio **NOW** and PRN
 If hospital is unable to perform urine albumin to creatinine ratio test AND patient known to have Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes-urine protein to creatinine ratio **NOW** and PRN

Microbiology, Virology- Blood, urine and sputum cultures must be completed within 24 hours of organ donation consent as per Health Canada requirements.

- Blood Culture and Sensitivity (C+S) (two different sites) **NOW** and PRN
 Sputum C+S **NOW** and PRN (initial sample **NOT** required **IF** BAL C&S completed)
 Urine C+S **NOW** and PRN (minimum of **ONE** urine culture is required by Health Canada for all potential organ donors, regardless of urinalysis results)

Additional Lab Orders

Hemodynamic Monitoring and Therapy Targets

Blood pressure indices:

- Heart rate greater than or equal to 60 beats/minute and less than or equal to 120 beats/minute
- Systolic blood pressure (SBP) greater than or equal to 100 mmHg and less than or equal to 160 mmHg
- Mean arterial blood pressure (MAP) greater than or equal to 65 mmHg

Note: Maintain Hemoglobin greater or equal to 70 g/L

Cardiovascular Management

- 12-lead ECG x 1 **NOW** and PRN
 Insert a subclavian or jugular central line
 2D echocardiogram **NOW** (see Associated Documents)
 Cardiac angiogram* As per direction from Ontario Health (TGLN)

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Exact dosing for each medication to be calculated and individualized

Hypotension Management (Use Mean Arterial Pressure (MAP) unless arterial monitoring unavailable or unreliable)

- IV Ringer's Lactate 500ml over 10 minutes PRN if SBP less than 100mmHg or MAP less than 65 mmHg
- Vasopressin IV infusion at 0.1 – 2.4 units/h PRN for SBP less than 100 mmHg or MAP less than 65 mmHg
- Norepinephrine IV infusion at 1 – 30 micrograms/minute PRN for SBP less than 100 mmHg or MAP less than 65 mmHg
- Epinephrine IV infusion at 1 – 20 micrograms/minute PRN for SBP less than 100 mmHg or MAP less than 65 mmHg

Hypertension Management (Use MAP unless arterial monitoring unavailable or unreliable)

Wean inotropes or vasopressors if infusing; start antihypertensives for SBP greater than 160 mmHg and/or MAP greater than 90 mmHg

- Hydralazine 10 – 20 mg IV q4h PRN for SBP greater than 160 mmHg and/or MAP greater than 90 mmHg
- Nitroglycerin IV infusion at 5 – 200 micrograms/minute PRN for SBP greater than 160 mmHg and/or MAP greater than 90 mmHg
- Labetalol IV infusion at 1 – 2 mg/min PRN for SBP greater than 160 mmHg and/or MAP greater than 90 mmHg (discontinue if HR less than 65)
- Esmolol _____ micrograms/kg/min IV bolus (100 – 500 micrograms/kg IV bolus; consider reduced dose in the elderly population) followed by Esmolol 100 – 300 micrograms/kg/minute IV infusion PRN for SBP greater than 160 mmHg and/or MAP greater than 90 mmHg

Mechanical Ventilation Targets

- Tidal volume measurements: Tidal volume (V_t) 6 – 8 mL/kg
- PEEP: Positive End Expiratory Pressure 8-10 cm H₂O
- PIP: Peak Inspiratory Pressure less than or equal to 30 cm H₂O

Respiratory Management

- Chest x-ray (CXR) q12h and PRN (coordinate to perform post-recruitment maneuver-see below)
- Bronchoscopy and Bronchial Alveolar Lavage (BAL): Gram Stain and C+S x 3 (separate samples from each lung and 1 sample for Ontario Health [TGLN] COVID requirements) and PRN (see Associated Ontario Health [TGLN] Document)
- Routine ETT suctioning as tolerated q2h and PRN
- Salbutamol 8 puffs q2 – 4h PRN for wheezing
- Ipratropium 8 puffs q2-4h PRN for wheezing

Recruitment Maneuvers

Target to maintain normalized arterial blood gases: pH 7.35 – 7.45, PaCO₂ 35 – 45 mmHg, PaO₂ greater or equal to 80 mmHg, O₂ sat greater than or equal to 95%

- For all potential lung donors: In the following sequence, perform recruitment maneuvers and challenge arterial blood gases (ABG) q6h as tolerated. (stop if lung donation excluded by Ontario Health [TGLN], recruitment manoeuvres not tolerated or as dictated by patient status)

Perform the following recruitment maneuvers in sequence:

- Pre-oxygenate with FiO₂ of 1.0 for 10 minutes
- Sustained inflation with PEEP of 30 cm H₂O for 30 seconds
- Maintain FiO₂ of 1.0 and return to maintenance ventilatory parameters
- Draw ABG 10 minutes post inflation ([while FiO₂ at 1.0](#))
- Return to maintenance FiO₂ once complete
- Obtain chest x-ray once completed

- If lung recruitments not tolerated – ABG on FiO₂ 1.0 q6h and PRN on and PRN
- If lung donation excluded by Ontario Health (TGLN) — stop lung recruitment maneuvers and continue ABG and CXR as per unit protocols

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Fluid and Electrolyte Targets

- Urine output 0.5 – 3 mL/kg/h (if urine output below 0.5 cc/hr OR urine output above 300 cc/hr consult MRP)
- Serum sodium equal to or above 130 mmol/L and equal to or below 150 mmol/L
- Normal ranges for potassium, calcium, magnesium, and phosphate
- Blood glucose 6 – 10 mmol/L

Fluid and Electrolytes

Exact dosing for each medication to be calculated and individualized

- Ringers Lactate IV infusion for maintenance at _____ mL/h
- If serum sodium above 145 mmol/L evaluate for Diabetes Insipidus (see section on Diabetes Insipidus)
 - Implement hospital standing order set for electrolyte imbalances **OR** follow below:
 - If serum phosphate below 0.65 mmol/L, then administer sodium phosphate 15 mmol in 100 mL D5W IV as per unit protocol
 - If corrected serum calcium below 2.0 mmol/L or ionized Ca less than 1.0 mmol/L, then administer 10% calcium gluconate 1 gram in 100 mL NaCl or D5W IV over 30 minutes (central or peripheral)
 - If serum magnesium below 0.8 mmol/L, then administer magnesium sulphate 1 g in 50 – 100 mL NaCl or D5W IV over 30 minutes (central or peripheral)
 - If potassium below 3.9 mmol/L and greater than 3.2 mmol/L, then administer 20 mmol potassium chloride in 50 – 100 mL NaCl or D5W via central line over 1 hour
 - If serum potassium below 3.2 mmol/L, then administer 40 mmol potassium chloride in 100 mL NaCl or D5W via central line over 2 hours

DO NOT ADMINISTER HYDROXYETHYL STARCH e.g. VOLUVEN

Glycemic and Nutrition Management

- Initiate or continue nutritional support, when appropriate and possible
- 6 hours prior to planned OR stop enteral feeds and empty gastric residuals then clamp NG tube
- Initiate and titrate insulin infusion to maintain serum glucose 6-10 mmol/L

Endocrine and Metabolic Management

Exact dosing for each medication to be calculated and individualized

- For all potential heart donors administer (Stop if heart donation excluded by Ontario Health [TGLN])
- L-Thyroxine 100 micrograms IV x 1, then L-thyroxine 50 micrograms IV q12h
- OR**
- L-Thyroxine 2micrograms/kilogram PO daily
- For all potential lung donors – methylprednisolone 15 mg/kg (maximum 1g) IV q24h (Stop if lung donation excluded by Ontario Health [TGLN])
 - If lung donation excluded by Ontario Health (TGLN) **AND** patient requiring vasopressors then administer hydrocortisone 50 mg IV q6h
 - Initiate or continue hospital insulin infusion order set to maintain serum glucose 6-10 mmol/L
 - If creatinine clearance less than 60 mL/min, kidneys have NOT been ruled out for transplant and IV contrast is planned, give IV 0.9% NaCl 3 mL/kg/h for 3 hours pre-contrast then 1 mL/kg/h for 6 hours post-contrast

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Diabetes Insipidus Targets

- Titrate therapy to urine output of less than or equal to 3 mL/kg/h

Diabetes Insipidus Management

Clinical Indicators of Diabetes Insipidus

- Urine output greater than 4 mL/kg/h, and
- Rising serum sodium and/or
- Sodium greater than or equal to 145 mmol/L and/or
- Rising serum osmolarity greater than or equal to 300 mosM and/or
- Decreasing urine osmolarity less than or equal to 200 mosM
- Specific Gravity less than 1.010

Diabetes Insipidus Therapy

Exact dosing for each medication to be calculated and individualized

- If Vasopressin initiated for diabetes insipidus, maintain a minimum dose of 0.5 units/hour to avoid polydipsia. If patient becomes hypertensive, consult with Ontario Health (TGLN) for management.
- DDAVP 4 micrograms IV q6h PRN
- If serum sodium greater than 145 mmol/L give enteral free H₂O 200 mL q4h and change maintenance IV to:
 - 0.45% NaCl **OR** D5W

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