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Enhanced Recovery after Surgery (ERAS) Breast Reconstruction Pathway for DIEP / MS-TRAM and TUG

Queen Victoria Hospital ERAS pathway for breast reconstruction is a programme of care aimed at reducing the physical trauma of surgery and aiming for a complication-free recovery, thereby shortening hospital stay for patients.

Enhanced recovery after surgery is a collection of strategies in a structured pathway allowing the surgical and anaesthetic teams to aid recovery and enable earlier discharge.

The key elements included in the Enhanced Recovery Pathway are:

- Preoperative counselling
- Diet, exercise & wellbeing work up
- Preoperative feeding
- Structured early postoperative mobilisation
- Revised pain relief with minimal morphine use to decrease side effects
- Routine laxatives to prevent constipation
- Early removal of urinary catheters
- DVT prophylaxis
- Enhanced preoperative and postoperative nutrition via supplements

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Pre-Assessment

Planned operation:

Pre Assessment- Date: / /				
Pre - Assessment paperwork completed				
Arm Precaution? Right <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Bilateral <input type="checkbox"/>				
Bloods checked & taken if not previously done (U+Es, LFT's, FBCs & G+S)				
Height, Weight & BMI rechecked (BMI must be 35 or under)				
Height- cm/m, Weight- kg & BMI-				
Ensure MRSA swabs have been done				
Baseline Observations documented (Temp, Pulse, BP, Respiratory Rate & SaO2) & ECG done				
Allergies or NKDA documented on all nursing paperwork & drug chart				
Additional tests arranged as appropriate				
Send for photographs (if not already done at consultation appointment)				
Support garments discussed with patient				
Stop Tamoxifen* 4 weeks before surgery – date to be stopped: / /				
Anaesthetic review complete				
Gabapentin 600mg PO prescribed for induction, 1st night & 2nd night ONLY				
Patients for admission on morning of surgery- LMWH prescribed: Dalteparin by subcutaneous injection. Patients weighing 50-100kg: 5000 units once a day at night. If patient >100kg then 5000 units BD (omit morning dose on morning of surgery) Give patient prescription to go to Pharmacy for Dalteparin 5,000 units x 8 injections (and prescribe on drug chart as above) (1 for self-administration night before surgery & remaining 7 for discharge) Instruct patient to bring them all in to hospital with them on admission.				
Demonstrate to patient self-administration of Dalteparin injections & provide them with the administration patient information leaflet DIEP/MS-TRAMS – inject into thigh, TUGs – inject into abdomen				
6 x 200ml pre-op Nutricia Carbohydrate drinks provided (if being admitted on the day of surgery) & instructions on how to take them (avoid in diabetic patients)				
Please ensure patients are informed they need to drink 4 x 200ml pre-op Nutricia carbohydrate drinks (avoid in diabetic patients) the night before surgery and the remaining 2 x 200ml drinks on the morning of surgery before 06:30am.				

NB: If the patient is taking Letrozole (Femara®), Exemestane (Aromasin®), or Anastrozole (Arimidex®) they **do not need to stop these.*

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Admission & Day of Surgery

Admission- Date: / / Ward Staff / MTR staff to complete	Initial	Yes	Variance	N/A
Admission paperwork completed				
Baseline observations taken (Temp, Pulse, BP, Respiratory Rate & SaO2)				
Patient details are correct & name band in situ (around ankle)				
Measured for anti-embolism stockings, prescribed and applied				
Arm Precaution? Right <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Bilateral <input type="checkbox"/>				
If applicable, use pink wristband or write on affected arm with surgical skin marker "DO NOT USE"				
Starvation times confirmed with patient				
Ensure patient has removed all nail varnish & make up				
Ensure patient has removed all jewellery, including all rings				
Ensure patient to remove all hair bands / grips and clips (before theatre)				
Surgical gown & paper knickers given to patient				
4 x 200ml pre-op Nutricia Carbohydrate drinks have been taken by 00:00am (avoid in diabetic patients)				
Prescription Chart written				
Patient's height & weight documented on prescription chart				
Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) assessment completed				
LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARIN (LMWH) PRESCRIPTIONS LMWH prescribed: Dalteparin by subcutaneous injection. Patients weighing 50-100kg: 5000 units once a day at night. If patient >100kg then 5000 units BD (omit morning dose on morning of surgery) Patients admitted via the ward to be given their injection the night before surgery by the ward staff				
Morning of surgery- pre-op checks by MTR staff @ 07:30am				
Ensure 2 x 200ml pre-op Nutricia Carbohydrate drinks have been taken by 06:30am (avoid in diabetic patients)				
LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARIN (LMWH) PRESCRIPTIONS Ensure LMWH has been prescribed: Dalteparin by subcutaneous injection. Patients weighing 50-100kg: 5000 units once a day at night. If patient >100kg then 5000 units BD (omit morning dose on morning of surgery) Check that patients admitted on day of surgery have self-administered 5,000 units Dalteparin the night before their surgery. Inform the surgeon if they have not.				
No food has been eaten for 6 hours before surgery				
No oral fluids have been drunk for 2 hours before surgery (with exception of carbohydrate drinks)				
Gabapentin 600mg PO given as prescribed				
Reviewed & marked by surgical team				
Consent checked				
Reviewed by anaesthetist				
2nd Group & Save sample taken and cannula inserted				
Ensure patient has removed all nail varnish & make up				
Ensure patient has removed all jewellery, including all rings				
Ensure patient to remove all hair bands / grips and clips before theatre				
Warming Blanket (Silver-Foil Space Blanket) applied				
Theatre WHO checklist completed <i>(pages 8 & 9 in this booklet)</i>				

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ALL STAFF HAVE AN EQUAL RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY TO VOICE CONCERNS ABOUT PATIENT SAFETY TO THE REST OF THE TEAM.

**Queen Victoria Hospital
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Surgical Safety Checklist**

Ward Observations

Pulse _____ bpm BP _____ / _____

O₂ Sats _____ % RR _____

Temp _____ °C Weight _____ kg

Purpose T _____

Mental State

Oriented ☐ Disoriented ☐ Sedated ☐ Agitated ☐

Limitations

Visual ☐ Auditory ☐ Language ☐ Mobility ☐

Barrier Nursing Required

Yes ☐ No ☐ Reason _____

Prior to transfer to theatre (Registered Practitioner)

Must be countersigned if completed by HCA

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Patient Identity Band in situ, confirmed with patient & consent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____
Consent form signed and dated by surgeon and patient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____
Blood No availability <input type="checkbox"/> 1 G&S sample sent <input type="checkbox"/> 2 G&S sample sent <input type="checkbox"/> x-matched blood available <input type="checkbox"/>				_____
Surgical site and side marked in indelible marker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Allergies - specify	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____
Pregnancy excluded (by gender, pre-/post-menarche, LMP or test)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____
Previous axillary surgery requiring avoidance of arm for cannulation / BP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		SIDE _____
Notes and drug chart available	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		_____
X-rays and photographs available	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Recent blood results available	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Pre-medication administered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Fasted of food for more than 6 hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Time _____
Fasted of clear fluids more than 2 hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Time _____
Thromboprophylaxis assessment completed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Time _____
TED stockings in situ	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Contact Lenses removed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Jewellery removed / taped	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
False teeth removed or firmly fixed in place. Loose teeth? (comment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Make-up and nail varnish removed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Completed by _____ (sign) _____ (Print) ____/____/____ (date)

Countersigned if applicable _____ (sign) _____ (Print) ____/____/____ (date)

Sign In Before Induction of Anaesthesia(Surgeon, Anaesthetist,Anaesthetic)	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Patient confirms: ◆Identity ◆Site ◆Procedure ◆Consent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Site marked / not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Allergies - specify	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
All necessary equipment available for difficult airway if required	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Blood available if >500ml loss anticipated (Paed > 7ml/kg)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imaging studies with patient / available in theatre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Implants / specialist surgical equipment available	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Completed by _____(sign)_____ (Print) ____/____/____ (date)				
Time Out – Complete team to participate before surgical intervention	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Surgeon, anaesthetist and scrub practitioner confirm				
◆Patient ◆Site ◆Site ◆Procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
◆Has antibiotic prophylaxis been given within last 60 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
◆Is essential imaging displayed	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
◆Has patient been discussed at a pre-list Team Safety Briefing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
If not				
◆Confirm all team members have introduced themselves by name and role.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
◆Anticipated critical events	<input type="checkbox"/>			
◆Surgeon reviews:(anticipated blood loss, operative duration, equipment, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
◆ Anaesthetist reviews:(co-morbidities, post-op placement, blood availability etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
◆Nursing / Practitioner Staff reviews: (safety concerns, equipment issues, sterility including equipment indicator results etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Completed by _____(sign)_____ (Print) ____/____/____ (date)				
Sign Out (Before any member of team leaves operating theatre)	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Correct name of procedure recorded	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Instrument, needle and swab count correctly	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Specimen(s) labelled correctly	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
No Dental pack/ in situ	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Throat pack and/or tourniquet(s) removed. NB Finger tourniquets	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Any equipment problems to be addressed	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Completed by _____(sign)_____ (Print) ____/____/____ (date)				
Recovery Handover and Discharge	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Surgeon, anaesthetist and team handover key concerns for recovery/ward met	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Completed by _____(sign)_____ (Print) ____/____/____ (date)				

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Induction & Intra Operative

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STANDARD ANAESTHETIC PROTOCOL

Induction

Positioned on theatre table

All patients should have had LMWH (Dalteparin) subcutaneous injection 5,000 units the night before surgery

O₂ administered

Intravenous (IV) induction- Midazolam / Alfentanil / Remifentanil / Propofol

Tranexamic acid 1g IV at induction & 500mg 6 hourly **during procedure only**

Gabapentin 600mg PO

Antibiotics on induction Teicoplanin 600mg IV

ETT

2nd peripheral cannula inserted (large bore)

Cross Match 2 x units (immediate) and 2nd G & S (if not done in MTR)

Blood available in Burns fridge (Immediates only)

Arterial Line/LidCo non-invasive BP (NiBP)

Indwelling Urinary Catheter (IDC) & temperature probe inserted

Blood warmer

Warming Mattress

Flowtron Boots Applied

Maintenance

Remifentanil/Propofol

Ventilation – lung protective – 5-7mls/kg (ideal weight) at rate (12 -16, I:E ratio 1:1.5 or 2) suitable to keep CO₂ normal. PEEP of 5cm/H₂O in all patients to keep bases open and higher in obese.

Fluid Balance

Crystalloids in first instance. 1 - 3 litres during case for majority (minimum required)

Colloids (if this is Anaesthetist preference) – fluid limit

Aim for 'normal' fluid output (>0.5ml/kg/hr)

Analgesia

Surgical infiltration of local anaesthetic – dilute if necessary to ideal volume

Paracetamol 1g IV

Morphine/Diamorphine/Fentanyl – reduced dose 60mins before closure

Diclofenac/Ketorolac 30mins before closure (if not allergic & there are no contraindications to NSAIDs)

Additional Medication

Dexamethasone 6.6mg IV eight hourly

Ondansetron 4mg IV 10mins before completion of surgery

Muscle relaxant at surgical request

Vasoconstrictors

Considerations

Active management of non-surgical site pain and pressure care

Half Time Physiotherapy carried out

Pressure Areas protected & intact

Pulse Oximeter repositioned 4 hourly (at least)

Anaesthetic as per protocol – Initial-			Yes	Variance
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Recovery

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Transfer to Recovery- Time: : hrs	Initial	Yes	Variance	N/A
Observations within range				
O ₂ insitu & prescribed overnight				
Arterial blood gas (ABG) review & arterial line removed if satisfactory				
Medication				
PCA/block in progress – (see appendix 2 for PCA protocol)				
Morphine/Fentanyl/Diamorphine protocol for rescue analgesia				
Regular Anti-emetics prescribed				
Regular analgesia prescribed				
Regular laxatives prescribed				
Fluid Balance				
Input & Output clearly documented on fluid balance chart (including total volumes from theatre)				
IDC insitu & urine output >0.5mls/kg/hr				
2 x IV cannulas in situ and patent				
IV Fluid -Continued <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinued <input type="checkbox"/> (aim to discontinue & encourage oral)				
Sips of clear fluid tolerated				
Bair hugger (if requested by surgical team)				
Anti-embolism stockings in situ				
Flowtron boots in situ				
Position				
Patient head up				
Knees bent if DIEP / MS TRAM (Jack-Knife Position)				
Pressure areas intact				
Flap Observations (documented on Flap Obs Chart)				
Flap observations every 30 minutes – satisfactory (see appendix 3)				
Doppler every 2 hours – satisfactory				
Drains				
Unclamped - Time: : hrs				
Patent				
Drainage documented on fluid balance chart				
Anaesthetic review – satisfactory				
Surgical review – satisfactory				
CLAVIEN-DINDO GRADE – see appendix 1 for grading				

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OBSERVATION AND PAIN ASSESSMENT CHART

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TIME																			
INSPIRED O ₂ %																			
O ₂ SATURATION %																			
T E M P E R A T U R E °C	40																		
	39.5																		
	39																		
	38.5																		
	38																		
	37.5																		
	37																		
	36.5																		
	36																		
	35.5																		
35																			
B L O O D P R E S S U R E P U L S E	200																		
	190																		
	180																		
	170																		
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	70																		
	60																		
	50																		
	40																		
	30																		
20																			
RESPIRATORY RATE																			
PUPIL SIZE/REACTION +/-																			
SEDATION SCORE																			
PAIN SCORE																			
NAUSEA	Y/N																		
VOMITING	Y/N																		
PHLEBITIS SCORE																			
INFILTRATION SCORE																			
COMMENTS																			

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Recovery Discharge Criteria

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System	Criteria	Yes	N/A
Airway	Able to maintain own airway		
	Able to lift head clear of the pillow		
Breathing	Regular respiratory pattern with a rate $\geq 12 \leq 21$		
	SpO2 $\geq 95\%$, equivalent to pre-op, or as specified by the anaesthetist		
	Is oxygen prescribed if SpO2 is low and all other criteria are met		
Circulation	BP + Pulse are stable and within 10-20% of preoperative values		
	Patient is well hydrated		
	Phlebitis/infiltration score recorded on observation chart		
Neurology	Patient is alert and oriented to time and place. Or is the same as pre-op		
Wound/Drains	Dressings are intact with only minimal strikethrough/spotting on dressings		
	Drains are patent and recorded on fluid balance chart		
IVI	IVI in progress as prescribed and documented on fluid balance chart		
Pain	Is controlled with a score of ≤ 1 and documented on the care plan		
	Is the regional block still effective, without compromising the individual's respiratory function?		
	Post-operative analgesia and other medications prescribed		
Post operative Nausea and vomiting (PONV)	Anti-emetics are prescribed		
	PONV is either absent or controlled		

Transferred to Enhanced Recovery Area (EHRA)	
Named Recovery Nurse:	
Patient transferred to SDU – Time	: Hrs
Accepted in EHRA	
Named SDU Nurse:	

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Post-Op: Afternoon/Night

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Enhanced Recovery Area (EHRA)	Initial	Yes	Variance	N/A
Reviewed by on-call Micro Fellow/Registrar & SHO				
Bair hugger in situ (if requested by surgical team)				
Observations (documented on NEWS chart & Flap Obs Chart)				
Cardiovascular observations within range				
Flap observations every 30 minutes –(see appendix 3)				
Doppler every 2 hours – satisfactory				
Wound/Pressure Area Care				
Dressings dry & intact				
Pressure areas intact				
Anti-embolism stockings in situ				
Flowtron boots in situ				
Diet & Fluid				
Tolerating clear fluids orally				
Offer something to eat (unless specifically instructed not to do so by surgeon)				
Fluid balance chart maintained				
2 x IV cannulas patent				
Indwelling urinary catheter (IDC) patent & output satisfactory				
Drains				
Drains patent				
Drainage documented on fluid balance chart				
Medications				
PCA patent (see appendix 2 for PCA protocol)				
LMWH: Dalteparin by subcutaneous injection. Patients weighing 50-100kg: 5000 units once a day at night. If patient >100kg then 5000 units BD				
Gabapentin 600mg PO (at night only)				
Oral analgesia				
Laxatives				
Anti-emetics				
Check patients own regular medications have been prescribed				
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Post-Op: Day 1

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Enhanced Recovery Area (EHRA)	Initial	Yes	Variance	N/A
Give breakfast (unless specifically instructed not to do so by surgeon)				
Patient reviewed on ward round by consultant +/- team				
Repeat bloods requested (FBC's, Platelet Count + U&E's)				
Reviewed by Outreach Nurse				
Observations (documented on NEWS Chart & Flap Obs Chart)				
Cardiovascular observations within range				
Flap observations 1 hourly – (see appendix 3)				
Doppler every 4 hours				
Diet & Fluids				
Tolerating oral diet & fluids				
Aim to eat at least 1 x meal in chair				
Fluid balance chart maintained				
Indwelling urinary catheter (IDC) removed on mobilisation				
1 x IV cannula patent (if remains state reason in variance)				
1 x cannula removed if/when IV fluids discontinued (if applicable)				
Drains				
Drains patent & drainage documented on fluid balance chart				
Remove drains on doctors instruction if drainage less than 30mls in 24hrs (clear/serous)				
Wound/Pressure area care				
Dressings dry and intact				
Pressure areas intact				
Bra & support garments in situ prior to getting out of bed (DIEP/MS-TRAM- knickers/binder or TUG- shorts)				
Anti-embolism stockings in situ				
Flowtron boots removed on mobilisation				
ADLs				
Assisted with wash				
Drain bag & cushion given to patient				
Seen by physiotherapy & exercise sheet given				
Sit out in chair				
Medications				
Oral analgesia				
Laxatives				
Anti-emetics				
Plan PCA to be discontinued after pain review & other analgesia prescribed				
PCA usage since surgery documented by pain team mls				
(see appendix 2 for PCA protocol)				
Fit for transfer to main ward? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>				
Transfer to main ward – Time: : hrs				
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Day 1: Night

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Ward	Initial	Yes	Variance	N/A
Observations (documented on NEWS chart & Flap Obs Chart)				
Cardiovascular observations within range				
Flap obs every hour (2 hourly from 00:00) – satisfactory				
Doppler every 4 hours – satisfactory (see appendix 3)				
Diet & Fluids				
1 x IV cannula patent (if still required). Otherwise removed.				
Tolerating diet & fluids				
Bowels sounds present / flatus / bowels open				
Drains				
Drains patent				
Drainage documented on fluid balance chart				
Wound/Pressure Area Care				
Dressings dry & intact				
Pressure areas intact				
Bra & support garments (knickers/binder or shorts) in situ				
Anti-embolism stockings in situ				
Medications				
LMWH: Dalteparin by subcutaneous injection. Patients weighing 50-100kg: 5000 units once a day at night. If patient >100kg then 5000 units BD				
Demonstrate & assist patient to self-administer Dalteparin (thigh if DIEP/MS-TRAM, abdomen if TUG)				
Gabapentin 600mg PO (at night only)				
Oral analgesia				
Laxatives				
Anti-emetics				
PCA patent <i>If still in situ</i> (see appendix 2 for PCA protocol)				
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Day 1: Night Clinical Notes

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Post-Op: Day 3

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Ward	Initial	Yes	Variance	N/A
Patient reviewed on ward round by consultant / breast team				
Observations (documented on NEWS Chart & Flap Obs Chart)				
Cardiovascular observations within range				
Flap observations every 4 hours – satisfactory (see appendix 3)				
Diet & Fluids				
Tolerating diet & fluids				
Eat all meals in the day room				
Bowels opened				
Drains				
Drainage documented on fluid balance chart				
Remove all remaining drains regardless of drainage (unless specifically instructed not to by the breast reconstruction surgeon or the fluid is not serousanguineous)				
Wound/Pressure Area Care				
Dressings dry & intact (renewed where necessary)				
Pressure areas intact				
Bra & support garments (knickers or shorts) in situ				
Anti-embolism stockings in situ				
ADLs				
Independent with personal hygiene (shower)				
Independent mobilising to bathroom & around ward				
Medications				
Oral analgesia				
Laxatives				
Anti-emetics				
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Appendix 1

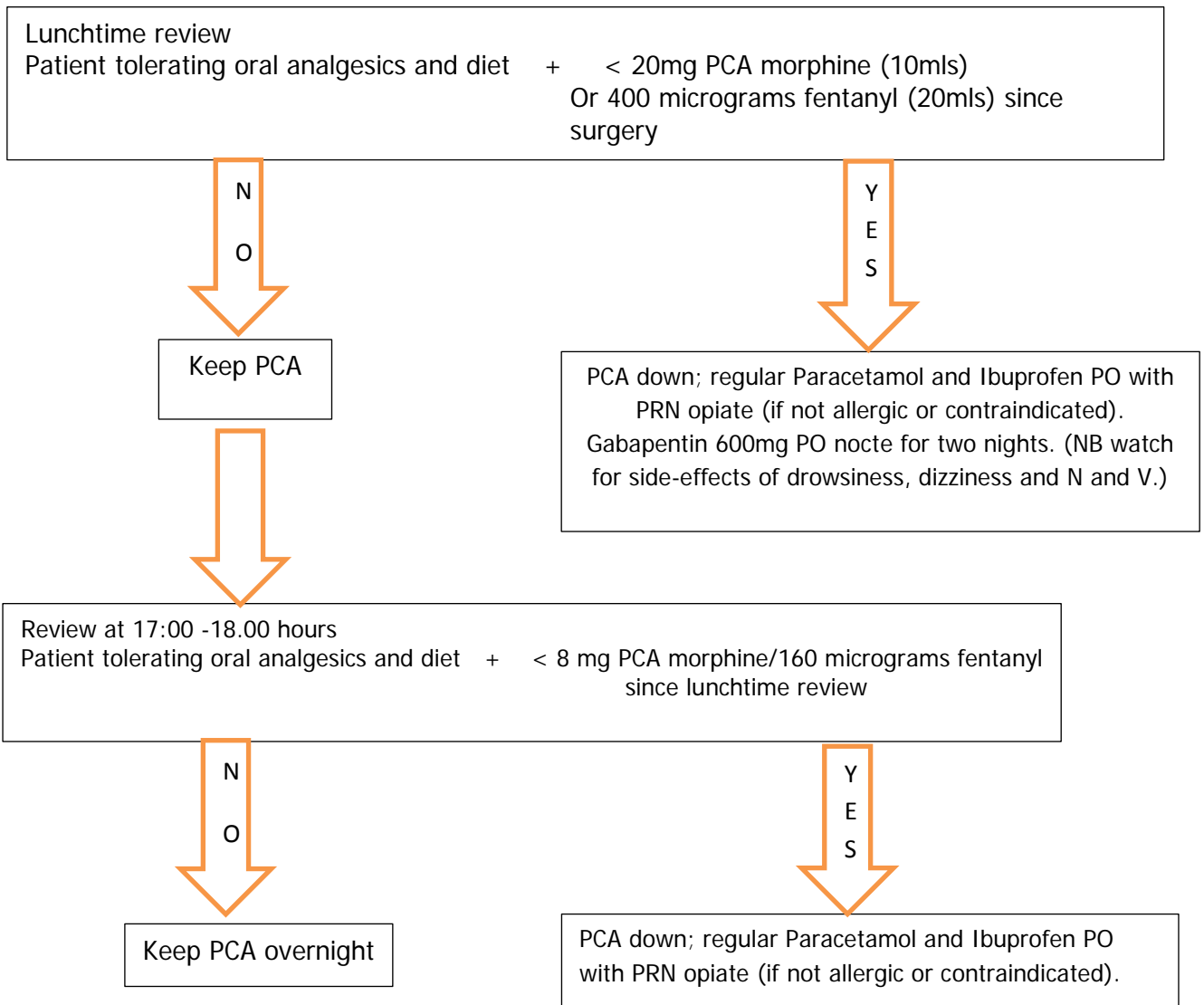
CLAVIEN-DINDO GRADING SYSTEM FOR THE CLASSIFICATION OF SURGICAL COMPLICATIONS

Grades	Definition
Grade I:	Any deviation from the normal postoperative course without the need for pharmacological treatment or surgical, endoscopic and radiological interventions. Allowed therapeutic regimens are: drugs as antiemetic's, antipyretics, analgesics, diuretics and electrolytes and physiotherapy. This grade also includes wound infections opened at the bedside.
Grade II:	Requiring pharmacological treatment with drugs other than such allowed for grade I complications. Blood transfusions and total parenteral nutrition are also included.
Grade III:	Requiring surgical, endoscopic or radiological intervention
Grade III-a:	Intervention not under general anaesthesia
Grade III-b:	Intervention under general anaesthesia
Grade IV:	Life-threatening complication (including CNS complications: brain haemorrhage, ischaemic stroke, subarachnoid bleeding, but excluding transient ischaemic attacks) requiring IC/ICU management.
Grade IV-a:	Single organ dysfunction (including dialysis)
Grade IV-b:	Multi-organ dysfunction
Grade V:	Death of a patient
Suffix 'd':	If the patients suffer from a complication at the time of discharge, the suffix "d" (for 'disability') is added to the respective grade of complication. This label indicates the need for a follow-up to fully evaluate the comp

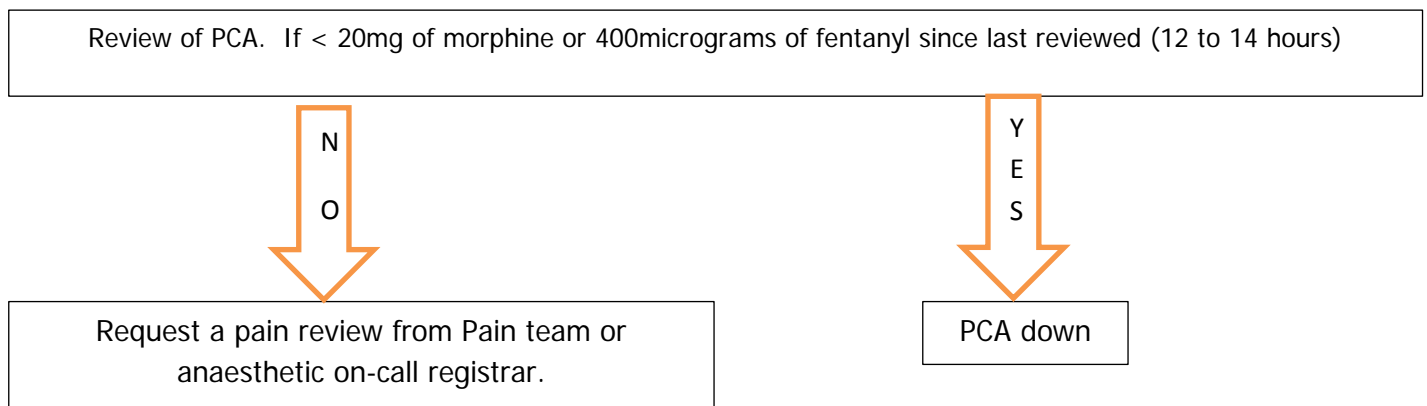
Appendix 2

PCA Flow chart for management post elective major surgery

Day One. Encourage mobilisation (cap PCA for this).



Day Two



Appendix 3

Post-Op Flap Guidelines for Breast Reconstruction

DIEP/ MS-TRAM Flaps

	Flap Obs	Dopplering	Comments
Post-Op	½ Hrly	2 Hrly (if instructed)	
Day 1	1 Hrly	4 Hrly (if instructed)	Into Bra- Keep Warm, Into Binder/Support Knickers & Mobilise
Day 2-3	2-4 Hrly		
Day 4+	BD		

TUG Flaps

	Flap Obs	Dopplering	Comments
Post-Op	½ Hrly	2 Hrly (if instructed)	
Day 1	1 Hrly	4 Hrly (if instructed)	Into Bra - Keep Warm & into Cycling Shorts - Mobilise with Knees together/No Abduction.
Day 2-3	2-4 Hrly		
Day 4+	BD		

LD Flaps

	Flap Obs	Comments
Post-Op	1 Hrly	
Day 1	2 Hrly	Into Bra – Mobilise
Day 2-3	4 Hrly	
Day 4+	BD	

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