

**ARROWHEAD REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

2025 Summary of Policy Revisions

Policy & Issue #	New	Major	Minor	Reviewed	Policy Title	Explanation (New and Major Revisions Only)
300.03 Issue 17		X			Organizational Performance Improvement Plan (OPI) 2025	Title changed to OPI. Made references in the Patient Safety and Quality Committee (PSQC) portion that supports patient/support person (Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC) indirectly) and patient/family/visitor equity. Updated references to the 2024-2027 strategic plan and goals.
610.40 Issue 4		X			Management of Observation Patients	Updated to include staff who can provide Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice (MOON) form to patients. Replaced the term provider with practitioner. Updated 2023 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regulations reference.
620.05 Issue 9		X			Pain Assessment and Management	Updated the pain scale that the Newborn Intensive Care Unit uses to the current evidenced based practice model, N-Pass (Neonatal Pain Agitation Sedation Scale). This is for up to three months of age. Removed repeat of "chemically paralyzed patient". Changed the acceptable term to chart for patient sleeping from "S" to "Asleep". Updated when a comprehensive pain assessment is completed along with the items that must be documented with that assessment. Clarified how pain

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						medication is ordered along with how range orders are avoided unless ordered with a specific scale. Updated references, formatting, and attachments.
650.09 Issue 6		X			Post-Operative/ Procedure Care of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Patients	Expanded ICU services to accept patients directly to the ICU from all procedure areas. Previously it was only for traumas.
690.36 Issue 5		X			Intravenous Admixture and Administration	<p>Updated policy for current regulations and guidelines (e.g. State Board of Pharmacy, US Pharmacopeia (USP) 797 Sterile Compounding, USP 800 Hazardous Compounding, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Hazardous Drugs) including beyond-use-date time. Updated standard concentrations for common high-risk IV medications such as fentanyl and oxytocin.</p> <p>Updated policy language so that Attachment B will be a sample of the Approved IV Drug List for Nursing in Routine Situations. Specified that the Approved IV Drug List for Nursing in Routine Situations will be updated separately from the policy. Attachment B was updated for current medications, new</p>

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						medications, removal of off-market medications, and to align policy information. Corrections to formatting, approved abbreviations, terminology, and references were also made.