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3. Diagnostic Procedures (ie: lab, cath flushes, radiology, physical therapy): No history and physical required.
4. Emergent/Stat Treatment: At the time of admission, the patient's diagnosis must be documented. A progress note, Short Stay Form or office notes that contain all elements of an H&P, as referenced above in Section B1, need to be entered into EPIC within twenty-four hours.
5. Procedural Sedation (moderate/conscious sedation): Refer to policy for documentation requirements.
6. The obstetrical record shall include a complete prenatal record. The prenatal record may be a copy of the attending practitioner's Office record transmitted to the hospital before admission, but an interval admission note must be written that includes pertinent additions to the history and subsequent changes in physical findings. Un-established patients will need a full history and physical.

C. **Readmission:** When a patient is readmitted within 30 days for the same problem, an interval history and physical exam may be completed. Reference to the previous history and physical must be inserted in the chart and the interval note must reflect any subsequent changes in the patient.

D. **Who Can Perform the History and Physical:**

A history and physical examination may be performed by physicians and specified allied health professionals.

It is expected that the operating surgeon will be the admitting physician under normal circumstances for scheduled procedures. If the admitting physician is not the operating surgeon, the surgeon must provide a pre-operative consultation which shall be documented in the medical record.

Dentists may perform a history and physical related to dentistry.

Podiatrists may perform a pre-operative history and physical examination independently on their patients of surgical risk ASA Category I or II. The podiatrist is responsible for arranging an additional H&P by a MD, DO, ARNP or PA for podiatric patients with risk greater than ASA category II.

Advanced Registered Nurses Practitioners and Physician Assistants may perform a history and physical; Co-signature by sponsoring physician is required.

Residents and students may perform a history and physical. Co-signature by sponsoring physician who has verified the accuracy via an in depth exam is required.

Admission is defined as patient registration in any inpatient, observation, same day surgery, or short-stay hospital service.

## REFERENCE:

CMS 482.22c5, 485.638 a4ii, 485.639, 482.24 2i, DNV MS.17 H&P