

- Holy Family Hospital
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- St. Paul's Hospital

**RESTRAINT INITIATION:
NURSING RECORD**

Ensuring Informed Consent

1. Discuss the application of restraint with the capable patient. Provide information and attempt to get consent. Document discussion in the progress notes. A patient who is capable has the right to personal risk and so to refuse a restraint when his/her unsettled/challenging behaviour does *not* pose an imminent danger, defined as violent or life-threatening towards self or others.
2. Discuss the application of restraint with the patient's Substitute Decision Maker (SDM) or Temporary Substitute Decision Maker (TSDM), if the patient is unable to make his/her own decision [see form PHC-MR081]. Provide information and attempt to get consent, as soon as possible within 72 hours
3. Work with the interdisciplinary team in discussing restraint with the TSDM and refer to Social Work if necessary.
4. If the patient is certified under the Mental Health Act of British Columbia, consent for restraint use is not required; however, discussion should still occur with patient and be documented.

Section A - Nursing Protocol

For *all restraints*, the RN/RPN writes a Nursing Protocol on this record. A Nursing Protocol for restraint initiation is always required, whether or not a physician has already written an order on the Physician Order Sheet.

Date:	Behaviour Code(s):
Time:	Alternative Intervention Code(s):
RN/RPN Name:	
Signature:	Restraint Type Code:

Section B - Physician Notification/Orders

The physician must be informed of the use of restraints and the behaviour that necessitated it as follows:

1. For *4 - Limb Restraints*: Inform physician **within 1 (one) hour**.
2. For *Seclusion*: Inform physician **and** obtain a physician order **within 1 (one) hour**. Avoid PRN orders. Request an order that reads "*Seclusion x 12 hours*".
3. For *all other restraints*: Inform **within 72 hours**.

Name of MD notified/order obtained from:	Signature of RN/RPN:	Date/Time:

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ASSESSMENT PARAMETERS

Please enter all that apply on the Restraint Initiation and/or Restraint Use Nursing Records

BEHAVIOURS OBSERVED (Codes)

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| 1. Agitation | 6. Mental status | 12. Calm and settled |
| 2. Aggression | 6.1 Disoriented | 13. Sleeping |
| 3. Combative | 6.2 Hallucinating | 14. Other _____ |
| 4. Pulling out tubes | 7. Memory deficit | _____ |
| 5. Level of consciousness | 8. Impaired mobility | _____ |
| 5.1 Alert | 9. Falling | |
| 5.2 Responsive to voice | 10. Movement disorder | |
| 5.3 Responsive to pain | 11. Participating in other activities | |
| 5.4 Non-responsive to pain stimulus | | |

INTERVENTIONS / ALTERNATIVES ATTEMPTED (Codes)

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| Establishing Rapport | 1.5 Explain procedures |
| 1.1 Eye contact | 1.6 Listen to non-verbal/verbal communication |
| 1.2 Friendly tone | 1.7 Maintain consistent care plan |
| 1.3 Calm manner | 1.8 Provide communication aids |
| 1.4 Approach slowly | 1.9 Involve family members, as appropriate |

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| Nursing Interventions | 2.5 Administration of psychoactive medications |
| 2.1 Regular toileting | 2.6 Review of prescribed medications |
| 2.2 Pain control | 2.7 Consider constant/close care |
| 2.3 Food and intake | 2.8 Diversionary activities |
| 2.4 Eliminate unnecessary tube/lines | 2.9 Involve OT/PT |

- 3. Environmental Interventions**
- 3.1 Adjust stimuli (lighting, noise, proximity to nursing station, number of contacts, roommate selection)
 - 3.2 Consider using a private room

NON-RESTRAINT ALTERNATIVES (Codes)

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| 4. Non-restraint product alternatives | 4.5 Floor mats |
| 4.1 Pinel self-release waist belt | 4.6 Non-skid socks |
| 4.2 Self-release wheelchair belts | 4.7 Hip protectors (O.T. consult required) |
| 4.3 Bed and chair alarms | 4.8 Helmet (O.T. consult required) |
| 4.4 Exit alarms | 4.9 One, two or three split side rails |

RESTRAINT TYPE (Codes)

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| 1. Wheelchair belts | 4. Mitts | 7. Four side rails, (must be used with bed alarm, waist or limb restraint) |
| 2. Waist restraint | 5. Arm splint | |
| 3. Limb restraint | 6. Secure room | |

PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT

Positioning

✓ Side-lying is preferred for limb restraints, but supine or prone may be used, dependent on clinical judgement & patient condition

Respiratory Status

✓ Ensure breathing is not compromised

Limb Circulation

✓ Ensure that the hand/foot is not discoloured, edematous, cold, or painful

Skin Condition Under Restraint

✓ Ensure that the skin under the restraint is intact and that there is no chafing or skin breakdown