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**RESTRAINT USE:
NURSING RECORD**

Assessment and Evaluation Guidelines:

1. **Q15 minutes until stable** (patients in seclusion or in 4-limb restraints must remain on Q15 minute assessments for the duration of their seclusion or restraint), **then;**
2. **Q30 minutes x 1 hour, then;**
3. **Q60 minutes until the restraints are discontinued** (or the restraints are identified by the team as an agreed-upon component of the patient's continuing care)
4. **Q60 minutes Vital Signs until stable** (or as ordered). **Document Vital Signs on clinical record**

LEGEND ✓ = Satisfactory
 * = Unsatisfactory (entry in relevant nursing record e.g. Progress Note)
 S = Supine or P = Prone (positioning determined by clinical judgement & patient condition)

Date:									
Time:									
Behaviours Observed ➤ Enter code number									
Interventions/ Alternatives Attempted ➤ Enter code number									
Restraint Type ➤ Enter code number									
Positioning									
Respiratory Status									
Limb Circulation									
Skin Condition Under Restraint									
Q1H and PRN PHYSICAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT									
➤ Repositioned (e.g. turned)									
➤ Toileted									
➤ Food/Fluid Offered									
➤ Pain/Symptom Management									
Restraints Discontinued									
RN / RPN / LPN Initials									

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ASSESSMENT PARAMETERS

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

BEHAVIOURS OBSERVED (Codes)		
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)		
1. Establishing Rapport		
1.1 Eye contact	1.5 Explain procedures	
1.2 Friendly tone	1.6 Listen to non-verbal/verbal communication	
1.3 Calm manner	1.7 Maintain consistent care plan	
1.4 Approach slowly	1.8 Provide communication aids	
	1.9 Involve family members, as appropriate	
2. Nursing Interventions		
2.1 Regular toileting	2.5 Administration of psychoactive medications	
2.2 Pain control	2.6 Review of prescribed medications	
2.3 Food and intake	2.7 Consider constant/close care	
2.4 Eliminate unnecessary tube/lines	2.8 Diversionary activities	
	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)		
4. Non-restraint product alternatives		
4.1 Pinel self-release waist belt	4.5 Floor mats	
4.2 Self-release wheelchair belts	4.6 Non-skid socks	
4.3 Bed and chair alarms	4.7 Hip protectors (O.T. consult required)	
4.4 Exit alarms	4.8 Helmet (O.T. consult required)	
	4.9 One, two or three split side rails	
RESTRAINT TYPE (Codes)		
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	