
Patient Monitoring

Bedside Patient Monitoring

Primary function of bedside cardiac and vital sign monitoring is to identify and respond to acute changes in patient condition.

- Bedside patient monitoring and charting of rhythms will continue to follow local protocol.
- Bedside team will respond to monitor alarms.
- Bedside team will alert eCare of critical rhythm changes or patient needs related to cardiac monitoring.
- eCare will notify the bedside team when a negative trend is identified to collaboratively investigate.

eCare Patient Monitoring

Primary function of eCare vital sign monitoring is to note and respond to negative trends in vital signs.

- eCare does not replace the primary clinical team for monitoring rhythms or vital signs.
 - eCare software monitors negative trends over a 2 to 10 minute time period (blood pressure, O2 sat and heart rate).
 - eCare software does not alert to immediate changes in cardiac rhythm (V-tach, V-fib, asystole, etc.) or vital signs (sudden hypotension or bradycardia).
 - eCare has the ability to periodically view individual bedside monitors in view only function which does not include alarms.
 - eCare will investigate negative trending by:
 - Activating the in-room camera to visualize patient and therapies
 - Reviewing EHR
 - Contacting the bedside team
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