

## Team Huddle

### Purpose

*Initiate communication amongst all of the team members. Familiarize the team to all of the patients and begin to outline and prioritize care for the shift.*

The R.N. will assemble the team for a few minutes at the beginning of each shift directly after report.

The assignment will be evaluated and modified as necessary to ensure continuity and quality of care.

An overview of the patients and their immediate needs will be assessed.

Key points will be reviewed and communicated to team members, such as:

- Diet
- Diagnostic Tests
- Activity Level
- Neurological Status
- Diagnosis
- Discharge Plan
- Precautions

Initial questions and concerns will be addressed in the huddle.

Input from staff that has cared for the patients in the shifts prior will be shared.

Consistency and continuity of care delivery will be achieved through this alignment of information which benefits both team and patient.

### Points of Emphasis

An impromptu team huddle can be called at any time by any member of the team deeming its necessity.