



Enhanced Recovery after Surgery (ERAS) Pathway For breast reconstruction

PREOPERATIVE PERIOD

1. Optimization as necessary
 - a. Anemia clinic
 - b. Diabetes clinic
 - c. Pain clinic

DAY of SURGERY, PREOP HOLDING

1. Carbohydrate drink: Given to patient by preoperative screening to drink 1 hour before scheduled arrival time.
2. Preoperative nursing staff will
 - a. IDENTIFY ERAS patient and initiate protocol
 - b. WARM ROOM to 72 degrees Fahrenheit and close door
 - c. DOCUMENT if CHO drink was taken and document time
3. Reinforce expectations and review education of the patient about expectations for pain and pain control
 - a. Expectation: Pain of 2-3/10 is expected and reasonable.
 - b. Expectation: Pain of 5/10 would be the point to ask for additional medication (if patient were at home – they would self-treat at a 5/10)
4. Multimodal analgesia and anti-emetics to be given
 - a. **Acetaminophen** 975 mg PO
 - b. **Gabapentin** 300mg PO
 - c. **Celecoxib** 400 mg PO (Naprosyn 500 mg if allergic to celecoxib). Avoid if renal impairment.
 - d. **Scopolamine** patch
 - e. Aprepitant 40mg PO for high risk PONV patients (failed scop patch in the past)

INTRAOPERATIVE

1. VTE PROPHYLAXIS
 - a. SCD's in place
2. ANTIBIOTIC PROPHYLAXIS
 - a. First line - Cefazolin 1-2g IV;
 - b. Second line, if allergic to Cefazolin, then Clindamycin 600 mg IV.
3. LOW FLOW ANESTHESIA - suggested gas flow $\leq 1\text{L}/\text{min}$
4. MULTIMODAL PAIN MGT during surgery
 - a. FOR SELECT PATIENTS (to be determined by surgical and anesthesia teams) - Bilateral Quadratus Lumborum blocks after induction using 30mL 0.25% bupivacaine per side
 - Addition of unilateral/bilateral PVBs or PECS blocks if concurrent mastectomy
 - b. Ketamine bolus 0.25 mg/kg IV (based on IDEAL body weight) at induction and then 2mcg/kg/min;
 - c. Intraoperative Exparel (diluted in saline ONLY) infiltration directly into tissue planes by surgeon
5. OPTIMIZE intraoperative fluids
 - a. Crystalloid infusion (LR) at 3ml/kg/hr (IBW)
 - b. Both phenylephrine and ephedrine use **permitted** at all times as needed
 - c. Optimize with goal-directed fluid therapy using non-invasive CO monitor

- Record stroke volume (SV)
 - Give a 250ml albumin bolus over <15 min (can omit if SVV < 10%)
 - If SV increases by >10 % repeat bolus
 - If SV increases by < 10% patient does not require a further bolus
 - Record peak value achieved
 - If still hypotensive consider phenylephrine bolus or infusion
 - Give a further colloid bolus when SV drops 10% from peak value
 - Repeat cycle

- 6. MAINTAIN normothermia with under body warmer to maintain Temp >36
- 7. TRANSFUSION – Please keep surgeons informed if transfusion is needed
- 8. VENTILATION
 - Low-flow anesthesia at flows ≤ 1 /min
 - Maintain TV 6-8ml/kg (ideal body weight)
 - Minimize FiO₂ 30-40% to minimize atelectasis
 - Maintain PEEP as appropriate to minimize atelectasis

- 9. No arterial lines or central lines required unless specific indication.
- 10. PONV prophylaxis – dexamethasone 4mg IV at start of case, ondansetron 4mg IV when closing.

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