MEDICAL STAFF
BEDSIDE PROCEDURES NOT REQUIRING INFORMED CONSENT

PURPOSE:
Policy governing local bedside procedures at CaroMont Regional Medical Center.

RESPONSIBILITY/SCOPE:
Bedside procedures at CaroMont Regional Medical Center.

DEFINITION:
Any procedure able to be performed by a physician or Privileged Practitioner without the assistance of staff and not requiring any monitoring while on a Medical/Surgical floor or Critical Care Unit.

PROCEDURE/GUIDELINES:
The following procedures that are able to be performed at the bedside in the absence of nursing assistance and limited, if any, need for monitoring, shall not require informed consent:

- Nasal packing
- Nasal cautery
- Laryngoscopy
- Nasal Endoscopy
- Nasopharyngoscopy
- Bronchoscopy through established tracheostomy
- I&D
- Wound Debridement
- Laceration Suturing
- Simple excisions
- Skin Biopsy
- Joint aspiration
- Application of splints/casts with +/- hematoma block
- EMB
- Cervical Biopsy
- Wound opening
• Removal of epicardial pacing wires post open heart surgery (patient on telemetry monitor)
• Removal chest tubes
• Pleurodesis
• Central line but in prep for transfer to unit
• Arterial line but in prep for transfer to unit
• Suture repair laceration/wound closure
• Aspiration seroma/hematoma
• Central venous access
• Debridement
• Removal foreign body
• Cystoscope
• Suprapubic bladder aspiration with catheter placement with trocar or sheath.