

Approach to Patient Monitoring Group B

The surgeons have requested a brief general anesthetic for change of dressing to an open infected wound. They suggest that the procedure can be performed in the patient's bed on the hospital floor.

1\ Does this patient need special monitoring for this procedure ?

Yes, he does.

2\What this patient's monitoring must adhere to the standards for basic monitoring published by ASA?

STANDARD I

Qualified anesthesia personnel shall be present in the room throughout the conduct of all general anesthetics, regional anesthetics and monitored anesthesia care.

STANDARD II

During all anesthetics, the patient's oxygenation, ventilation, circulation and temperature shall be continually evaluated.

1-Oxygenation:

Pulse oximeter "expose the patient adequately to assess the color".

2-Ventilation:

Capnogram "+ chest excursion, breath sounds and observation of the reservoir breathing bag".

3-Circulation:

Non invasive blood pressure and heart rate.

4-Temperature:

Temperature probe

5-Urine Output:

Catheter

6-Invasive Monitoring:

When needed, use intra-arterial blood pressure.

7-Monitoring of Neurological Function:

EEG

8-Monitoring of Neuromuscular Function:

Peripheral nerve stimulation.

Reference:

STANDARDS FOR BASIC ANESTHETIC MONITORING (Approved by the ASA House of Delegates on October 21, 1986, and last amended on October 20, 2010 with an effective date of July 1, 2011)

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