

Post-Procedure Access Site
Assessment Algorithm
(Femoral)

Recovery Phase Monitoring
Vital Signs, Access Site, and Pulse checks distal to sheath insertion

Every 15 minutes for 1 hour,
Then Every 30 minutes for 1 hour,
Then Every Hour for 2 Hours

Telemetry Units

Monitor Vital Signs, Access Site, and Pulse checks distal to sheath insertion:
Complete Recovery Phase, then
Every 4 Hours for 24 Hours Post-Procedure.
Remove dressing after 24 hours.

ICU

Monitor Vital Signs, Access Site, and Pulse checks distal to sheath insertion:
Complete Recovery Phase, then
Every 1 Hour for 24 Hours Post-Procedure.
Remove dressing after 24 hours.

NO

Bleeding

Continue Vital Signs every 4 hours.
Instruct patient to notify nurse of Bleeding, Swelling, Pain at sheath insertion site.

NO

Bleeding

Continue Vital Signs every 1 hour.
Instruct patient to notify nurse of Bleeding, Swelling, Pain at sheath insertion site.

FOR BLEEDING AT ANY TIME:

- 1) Manual Pressure at access site for minimum of 10 minutes and bleeding has stopped.
- 2) Monitor Vital Signs, Access Site, and Pulse checks distal to sheath insertion every 5 min until bleeding is stopped.
- 3) Re-initiate **Recovery Phase Monitoring** and complete the 24 hour monitoring process from bleeding stop time.
- 4) Notify Primary physician and Cardiologist.

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| Stroke IR (M-F 0730-1630) | 21975 |
| After Hours, Weekends & Holidays | 817-321-0404 |
| Cardiology - Friday Nights and Weekends: | |
| Notify Primary Provider – | |
| contact Interventional Cardiologist or | |
| Page On-Call Cardiologist | 817-654-8100 |
| Cath Lab (M-F 0700-1500) | 24435 |
| Cath Lab Team Ascom (M-F 0700-1500) | 26075 |
| Invasive Labs Recovery (M-Th 24 hours) | 26860 |

Notify Primary Provider and Cardiologist / IR Physician at any time of continued bleeding, hematoma formation or other conditions outside parameters as ordered.