APPENDIX 1.0 - LONG LIST OF SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR DOCUMENTATION IN REGIONAL ANESTHESIA

Patient information:

- 1. Name¹⁻⁶
- 2. Age³⁻⁶
- 3. Date of birth
- 4. Gender³
- 5. Medical record/ hospital number¹⁻⁶
- 6. Weight^{1,3}
- 7. Height³
- 8. BMI
- 9. ASA^{1,3}
- 10. Allergy^{1,3}

Procedure Preparation:

- 11. Block performed by $_$ (name)^{1,3,5-8}
- 12. Consent^{5,7,9}
- 13. Individual risks of procedure discussed and documented^{1,9,10}
- 14. Pre-anesthetic evaluation⁷
- 15. Pre-op diagnosis (Post-operative pain management / surgical diagnosis) ^{5,6}
- 16. Timeout / WHO checklist^{5,6}
- 17. Stop moment performed
- 18. Coagulation considered⁵
- 19. IV access⁵
- 20. Block procedure name ^{1,3,5,6}
- 21. Indication for regional anesthesia (purpose of the block) ^{6,8}
- 22. Request by surgeon for placement for pain management^{6,8}
- 23. Patient position during the regional anesthesia procedure ^{3,6,7}
- 24. Monitors applied^{2,5,6,11}
- 25. Baseline vital signs¹²
- 26. Baseline visual analogue score (VAS) ¹³
- 27. Pre-medication (type and quantity of sedation) 1,5,6,14,15
- 28. Level of sedation (no sedation / light sedation / deep sedation / GA)⁶
- 29. Indication for block under spinal, epidural or general anesthesia⁵

Procedure Performance:

- 1. Time and date of regional anesthetic procedure^{6,8,14}
- 2. Aseptic agent used^{5,6,16}
- 3. Sterile gloves used
- 4. Mask used
- 5. Gown used
- 6. Ultrasound probe decontaminated in accordance with local policy
- 7. Sterile ultrasound transducer cover used
- 8. Sterile drape used⁶
- 9. Skin infiltration with local anesthetic⁶
- 10. Needle design: tip, manufacturer, length, gauge^{5,6,17}

- 11. Local anesthetic used for regional anesthetic technique (concentration and volume)^{5–7}
- 12. Adrenaline dose used (concentration)⁶
- 13. Adjunct used^{5,6,18}

Specific for Regional Nerve Block Procedures:

- 30. Side of block¹⁹
- 31. Block side marked
- 32. Technique of needle localization (ultrasound / nerve stimulator / landmark technique) 5-7,20
- 33. Approach used (In plane / out of plane)^{1,3,5,6,9,20}
- 34. No EMR < ___mA when applicable^{5,6}
- 35. Minimum current and current duration 6,21
- 36. Description of motor response²⁰
- 37. Description of quality of paresthesia²²
- 38. Catheter tip location confirmed by ultrasound / nerve stimulator⁶
- 39. Technique of injection (via needle or catheter)^{6,23}
- 40. Note on incremental injection¹¹
- 41. Extra-neural spread visualized^{5,6}
- 42. Note on resistance during injection (pressure < 15psi)^{5,6,24}
- 43. Absence of blood on aspiration^{5,6}
- 44. Needle depth before injection^{6,21}
- 45. Catheter depth at the skin^{6,23}
- 46. Absence of pain / paresthesia during injection^{5,6,14,21}

Specific for Neuraxial Procedures:

- 47. Approach used (e.g. median / paramedian)^{1,3,5,6,9,20}
- 48. Vertebral level of needle insertion¹⁴
- 49. Technique used: Loss of resistance to saline / air for epidural insertion
- 50. Number of attempts⁵
- 51. Epidural needle depth at loss of resistance^{6,21}
- 52. Catheter depth at the skin^{6,23}
- 53. Note on aspiration and action taken¹¹
- 54. Absence of pain / paraesthesia during injection^{5,6,14,21}
- 55. Epidural test dose
- 56. Dermatomal level of spinal or epidural block achieved^{7,14}
- 57. Complications⁷

Post Procedure:

- 58. Adequacy of regional anesthesia procedure^{5,15}
- 59. Complications⁷
- 60. Patient vital signs after the procedure²⁵
- 61. Patient visual analogue score after the procedure¹⁵
- 62. Post procedure instructions⁵

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