

Cardiac Enhanced Recovery After Surgery Pathway



BEFORE SURGERY	 Education Medical management of your child's heart condition Pre-operative surgery appointment 	HOME CARDIOLOGY CLINIC
DAY OF SURGERY	 No solid food six hours before surgery <i>Carbohydrate-rich drink two hours before surgery</i> Pre-operative medication for anxiety 	PRE SURGICAL AREA
DURING SURGERY	 Minimize blood transfusions Multiple approaches to treat pain and reduce opioid need Prevention of post-operative nausea Prevention of post-operative delirium Avoidance of hypothermia or hyperthermia 	OPERATING ROOM
AFTER SURGERY	 <i>Early transfer out of CICU</i> Early removal of breathing tube Early removal of catheters, lines, and tubes Transition from IV to oral medications as soon as possible Combination of medications to treat pain Prevention of nausea Getting out of bed as soon as possible after surgery Return to a normal diet Continuous updates and communication from cardiac surgery nurse practitioner, including daily rounds with team 	CARDIAC ICU and INPATIENT UNIT
FOLLOW UP	 ✓ Monitor recovery ✓ Satisfaction survey 	HOME