

Clinical Practice Guidelines

Birth Suites Services

TITLE: Resident Roles on Birth Suites

OB/High Risk Resident will be called for:

- Care of any laboring Dean OB patient <34 weeks gestation
- Any SSM Health OB/GYN patient <34 weeks gestation who presents to triage
- Triage evaluation of all high-risk patients
- Care of patients admitted with the following high-risk criteria: Severe pre-eclampsia on mag, insulin-controlled diabetes requiring insulin infusion, multiple gestations, pts followed by MFM for other maternal or fetal conditions should be discussed with attending and decided on a case by case basis

Low Risk Resident (OB intern or FM) will be called for:

- Any laboring patient ≥34 weeks gestation (OB or FM) if otherwise uncomplicated including rule-out labor if planned c/s.
- Any FM patient presenting to triage regardless of gestation and chief complaint

Antepartum Service

- If patient is followed by MFM, then high risk OB resident only
- If patient is followed by family medicine, then OB intern or FM-low risk resident will continue to follow patients care

Midwife Patients

• Residents will not be involved in the care/triage assessment of midwife patients, unless an OB consult is obtained or if the midwife has signed out to the Dean OB on call

In order to eliminate confusion and provide safe care, the high-risk OB resident will be called first for things listed above. Care should not be delegated to the OB intern, but instead should be used to teach the intern & discuss plan of care. This eliminates confusion for nurses caring for patients in triage & birth suites.

The only patients the OB intern should be managing by themselves with the attending are the low risk patients that they will sign out to the family medicine resident coming on after them.

The high-risk OB resident will be managing all high-risk patients, although can co-manage with the OB intern. Any questions from nurses regarding high risk patients will go through the high-risk OB resident.

SCOPE:

These guidelines are informational only & applicable to SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital – Madison ("SM-M") Birth Suites including its employees, agents & medical staff, as well as employed physicians of an SSM Medical Group.

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