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### **Authorizing physician(s)**

Gastroenterologists who practice in the Endoscopy suite  
Surgeons who practice in the Endoscopy suite  
Respirologists who practice in the Endoscopy suite

### **Authorized to who**

Nurses working in Lakeridge Health Endoscopy (all sites) who have the knowledge, skill and judgment to initiate intravenous lines

### **Patient Description / Population**

For patients registered for a procedure in the Endoscopy unit/room.

### **Medical Directive Description/Physician's Order**

For patients undergoing a colonoscopy, gastroscopy, esophagogastroduodenoscopy, bronchoscopy and/or endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, (ERCP); the nurse may initiate an intravenous of 0.9% Sodium Chloride and infuse at 30 mL/hr.

### **Specific conditions/circumstances that must be met before the Directive can be implemented**

Informed consent is obtained  
Pre procedure assessment has been completed by the nurse

### **Contraindications to the implementation of the Directive**

Informed consent is not given.  
Physician orders a specific intravenous solution and infusion  
Patient has intravenous infusion

### **Documentation requirements**

On the prescriber's order sheet of the patient's health record document "Initiation of intravenous in Endoscopy suite as per Medical Directive", Date, time and the signature of the nurse implementing this directive.

### **Review/Evaluation Process (how often/by who)**

Every 3 years as directed by Surgical Program

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## Initiation of Intravenous in Endoscopy Suite – Medical Directive

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### Related Documents

None

### References

Regulated Health Professions Act

College of Nurses of Ontario

The College of Physicians and Surgeons, Delegation of controlled Acts