



**MONTANA STATE HOSPITAL
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

**SURGICAL PROCEDURES, USE OF ANESTHESIA
AND BLOOD PRODUCTS AT MSH**

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I. PURPOSE: To describe the limited surgical procedures provided at Montana State Hospital (MSH) and the policy regarding use of anesthesia and blood products.

II. POLICY:

A. Medical and Dental staff will perform only simple surgical procedures for patients at MSH. Surgical procedures are performed in treatment areas within the hospital building. This includes examination rooms near patient care areas as well as a treatment area generally referred to as the Medical Clinic. Examples of such procedures are:

1. Simple incision and drainage of abscess/i.e., carbuncle, cutaneous/subcutaneous abscess, cyst;
2. Simple incision and removal of foreign body of subcutaneous tissues;
3. Biopsy of skin and subcutaneous tissue;
4. Removal of skin tags;
5. Simple and intermediate repair of wounds;
6. Minor debridement of skin;
7. Tooth extraction;
8. Similar simple surgical procedures.

B. MSH does not administer blood products, but transfers patients to community hospitals when blood products are needed.

C. In general, the only anesthesia used at MSH will be local anesthesia, nerve blocks and procedural sedation (minimal or moderate) administered by credentialed MSH providers.

D. Patients undergoing more extensive surgical procedures will be referred to outside medical and dental service providers/settings in surrounding communities as per the guidelines/procedures of MSH policy TX-05, Consultation Services.

E. Questions about surgical procedures or the use of anesthesia or blood products will be referred to the Medical Clinic Licensed Independent Practitioners or the Medical Director.

III. DEFINITIONS: None.

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IV. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. The medical clinic Licensed Independent Practitioners are responsible for determining the appropriateness of a particular surgical procedure contemplated at MSH and requesting appropriate privileges.

V. PROCEDURE:

- A. Surgical services will be consistent with the resources available at MSH.
- B. Surgical and related anesthesia privileges will be delineated for all practitioners performing surgery in accordance with the competencies of each practitioner.

VI. REFERENCES: None.

VII. COLLABORATED WITH: Medical Clinic Physicians.

VIII. RESCISSIONS: PH-09, Surgical Procedures, Use of Anesthesia and Blood Products at MSH dated June 17, 2014; PH-09, Surgical Procedures, Use of Anesthesia and Blood Products Performed at Montana State Hospital dated September 14, 2009; PH-09, *Surgical Procedures, Use of Anesthesia and Blood Products Performed at Montana State Hospital* dated August 22, 2006; PH-09, *Surgical Procedures, Use of Anesthesia and Blood Products Performed at Montana State Hospital* dated March 31, 2003; PH-09, *Surgical Procedures, Use of Anesthesia and Blood Products Performed at Montana State Hospital* dated May 15, 2000; HOPP PH-09, *Surgical Procedures Performed at MSH*, dated February 14, 2000; HOPP PH-07-96-N, *Surgical Procedures Performed at MSH*, dated November 15, 1996.

IX. DISTRIBUTION: All hospital policy manuals.

X. ANNUAL REVIEW AND AUTHORIZATION: This policy is subject to annual review and authorization for use by either the Administrator or the Medical Director with written documentation of the review per ARM § 37-106-330.

XI. FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY: Medical Director.

XII. ATTACHMENTS: None.

Signatures:

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