

HACKETTSTOWN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

MONITOR TECH'S MANUAL
(Scope)

TITLE: DISCHARGE FROM TELEMETRY

PURPOSE: To outline the procedure to discontinue a patient's telemetry.

EQUIPMENT

- LIST:**
1. Telemetry unit
 2. Telemetry record for Med- Surg or PCU

CONTENT:

PROCEDURE STEPS

KEY POINTS

MONITOR

1. Physician's order to discontinue telemetry is obtained for patients located in Med-surg areas. The order is discontinued in Cerner and the Telemetry Tech is notified.
2. In PCU patients have a physician's order to be discharged or transferred. The telemetry transmitter is removed just prior to the patient leaving the unit. If the patient is to continue on telemetry outside the PCU, following the admission policy for telemetry.
3. Telemetry tech must receive telemetry transmitter and verify correct TTX # assigned to that patient was returned.
4. Review patient history prior to removing patient from the system.
5. Select the patient from the Multiple Patient Viewer.
6. Select the **ADMIT** tab from the single patient viewer.
7. Select **DISCHARGE** located on the far right of the window.
8. Select **YES** from the pop-up window. (**Are you sure you want to discharge patient?**)
9. Telemetry paperwork is removed from Telemetry Record Book. Telemetry record is stapled or paper clipped and placed in the blue discharge bin with the patient's chart if available. If not available the PCU secretary will file with patient's chart.

Patient will no longer be charged for daily telemetry.

Monitor will automatically return to main menu. Patient is now discharged from CIC
Telemetry paperwork is removed from record and given to 3 North secretary for immediate filing in patient's chart or to the nurse returning the telemetry unit.

****NOTE:** Once patient is discharged from central station no information is retrievable.