Cardiac Surgical Clinical Pathway Initiation and Adherence

Initiation of clinical pathway is decided at PCCS weekly surgical planning meeting

The clinical pathway is documented on the surgical booking form

Ward Clark documents patient pathway in patients notes

H/O documents "Patient commenced on clinical pathway" in the clinical notes.

Ward 23B/NICU handover the patient is on the pathway during transfer to theatre

Surgical team confirm if the patient is to follow the pathway during PICU handover. Nursing handover confirms if the patient is to follow the pathway

PICU handover the pathway patient during transfer to ward 23B

Patient recommences pathway once theatre date confirmed

Theatre delayed

Patient breaches pathway due to clinical status or complications.

Pathway is recommenced once the patient is extubated and ready for transfer to ward

Individualised care is planned

Ward Clark removes pathway from clinical notes and the pathway goes to PCCS NC

Patient information is entered into the database

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