

**COMFORT CARE ORDERS  
INITIATE ALL ORDERS NOT CROSSED OUT**

(Patient Label)

Notify all treating physicians that patient is **comfort care** only. Transfer to non-monitored bed.  
DNR/No Code. Discussed with \_\_\_\_\_

Vital signs:  Every shift  PRN   
Other \_\_\_\_\_  
General Diet  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Activity:  Up ad lib  Bedrest  Up with assist of \_\_\_\_\_

Discontinue previously ordered Lab including blood sugars.

Discontinue previously ordered Diagnostic Imaging.  
Discontinue physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy if ordered.

Foley catheter PRN for incontinence or discomfort

**ENTERAL/PARENTERAL FEEDINGS**

- Discontinue
- Continue

formula \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

**IV FLUIDS**

- Discontinue
- Continue \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ ml/hr

- If analgesia per PCA, run Normal Saline @ 20ml/hr. continuous

**Consult:**

- Hospice
- Clinical pharmacist
  - Discontinue unnecessary medications
  - Pain control
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Other \_\_\_\_\_

- Pain Resource Nurse

**ANALGESIA:**

- Morphine per PCA at \_\_\_\_\_ mg/hour. with \_\_\_\_\_ mg IV every 15 minutes PRN (suggest bolus equal to hourly basal rate). For pain rating greater than 5, increase basal rate by 1mg/hour every hour up to \_\_\_\_\_ mg/hour.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**RESTLESSNESS/AGITATION/NAUSEA:**

- Ativan \_\_\_\_\_ mg IV PRN every 4 hours PRN (recommend 0.5 – 2mg initially) restlessness or nausea
- Haldol Concentrate 1mg every 2 hours SL PRN restlessness or nausea.
- Phenergan 12.5mg IV every 4 hrs. PRN nausea only.

**CONSTIPATION (REQUIRED WHEN ON OPIOID): SELECT ONE OR MORE:**

- Senokot S 2 tabs po TID (hold if loose stools).

- Dulcolax 10mg suppository rectally daily PRN constipation
- Fleets enema rectally daily PRN constipation

**DYSPNEA**

- Injectable Morphine 5mg in 2.5ml normal saline QID per nebulizer per nurse
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Other \_\_\_\_\_

**PRN MEDICATIONS AND TREATMENTS:**

Oxygen @ \_\_\_\_\_ liters/minute per cannula PRN shortness of breath

Acetaminophen 650mg rectally every 4 hours PRN for fever or discomfort

Restoril (Temazepam) 15mg PO every HS PRN for insomnia (may repeat x1 PRN)

**Choose one for gurgling or excessive pharyngeal secretions:**

- Hyoscyamine (Levsin SL 0.125mg) 1 tab sublingual every 4 hours PRN to dry secretions
- Scopolamine patch 1.5mg topical every 3 days to dry secretions

**Other Orders** (consider treatments for seizures, bladder spasms, other): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Oral care every 2 hours PRN
- Gentle oral suction PRN
- Reposition for comfort and pressure relief every 2 hrs. unless contraindicated by severe pain. Consider pre-medication prior to activity if indicated.
- Discontinue weighing patient.
- Assess pain control every 2 hrs. Use non-verbal pain scale if patient is unresponsive.
- Psychosocial support to patient and family every 2 hours.
- Spiritual Care consult for spiritual support on end-of-life issues.
- Comfort Care Box in room.
- Nutritionist consult regarding nutrition/hydration issues at end-of-life.
- Social Work consult for counseling regarding psychosocial issues and anticipatory grief.

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**Physician Signature**

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**Date**