



STANDING ORDER

NAUSEA/VOMITING

I. ASSESSMENT

- A. Take vital signs, including temperature.
- B. Assess for blood in emesis.
- C. Obtain medical history, including the onset, duration and precipitating factors of the nausea/vomiting.

II. MANAGEMENT

- A. For simple nausea/vomiting:
 - 1. Give diet as tolerated (clear liquids, crackers), or
 - 2. Bismuth liquid, 2 tbsp QID, or
 - 3. If unable to keep medications down, give Phenergan 25 mg rectal suppository or PO BID x 24 hours.
 - 4. If GI infection is suspected, isolate patient until vomiting subsides.

III. EVALUATION

- A. If vomiting accompanied by fever or dehydration, contact Facility Provider for orders.
- B. If blood in emesis, call Facility Provider for orders. Blood must be verified by Facility Nurse.
- C. If a large amount of blood is present in emesis, transport patient to ER.
- D. If vomiting persists more than 2 days, call Facility Provider for orders.
- E. If jaundice is present, isolate and refer to Facility Provider for orders.