Anesthesia for noninvasive procedures

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When does the patient consent to anesthesia?

Except for certain imaging services, all patients at the UWMC consent not only to the primary procedure, but also to any sedation and / or anesthesia that may be given as well.

The exceptions are Angiogram, CAT Scan, Fluoroscopy, MRI and Ultrasound.

In the rare instances where sedation and / or anesthesia are needed for these imaging services, the anesthesiologist must obtain written permission from the patient before providing sedation and / or anesthesia. This is accomplished by having the patient fill out and sign Special Consent to Anesthesia / Sedation (UWMC form UH2227, see Figure 1).

I thought all consents covered anesthesia

All invasive treatments require consent, and since all invasive treatments may require sedation and / or anesthesia, this possibility is mentioned in the "Special Consent to Treatment Form" (forms UH0173, and its identical twin, UH1064 for the "yellow packets").

The problem arises for non-invasive procedures or invasive procedures (like angiography) that usually are a part of a larger treatment plan. If these are performed as stand-alone procedures and require sedation / anesthesia, then the anesthesiologist must obtain written permission from the patient before providing sedation and / or anesthesia, using form UW2227.

Examples of stand-alone non-invasive procedures needed where

For stand-alone angiogram, CAT scan, fluoroscopy,

for the yellow packets and UH0173 for others may require sedation and / or anesthesia, soMost patients seen at the UWMC do sign a consent before their treatment, the exception are non-invasive diagnostic procedures in Radiology.

If a UWMC Services uses a "yellow packet" (this includes Cardiology's scheduled cardioversions), the packet's "Special Consent to Treatment" (UWMC form UH1064, see figure 2) includes consent to sedation and / or anesthesia.

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SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS
Most other UWMC services, including the Cardiac Cath Lab, EP Lab, GI Endoscopy, PET Scan, and Radiation Oncology, use a consent form identical to the one in the "yellow packet", but it has a different form number (UWMC form UH1073).

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