

## ANESTHESIA GUIDELINES for ELECTIVE NEONATAL & INFANT SURGERIES – LE BONHEUR

### Definitions:

PCA: Post Conceptual Age

TERM: born at 37+ weeks PCA

Pre-term: born at less than 37 weeks PCA

Infant: Pre-term	Require overnight (>12 hours of observation) monitoring <u>until they are 57 weeks PCA</u> , regardless of anesthetic technique.
Infant: Term: less than 1 month of age	Require overnight (>12 hours of observation) monitoring, regardless of anesthetic technique.
Infant: Term: between 1-3 months who have received narcotics	Minimum of 40 minutes of observation for infants < 3 months of age at the discretion of the anesthesiologist.  Consider overnight observation (> 12 hours) for higher risk infants. **
Infant: Term: less than 6 months of age	Any term infant less than 6 months of age who receives general anesthesia with LMA or ETT and qualifies for same-day discharge will be monitored for at least one hour, or at the discretion of the Anesthesiologist. Anesthesiologist must evaluate these patients prior to discharge.

If you have any questions about scheduling a case, please call one of the Anesthesia Nurse Practitioners at (901) 671-6303 or (901) 671-7323, Monday – Friday, 0700 - 1630.