ANESTHESIA GUIDELINES for ELECTIVE NEONATAL & INFANT SURGERIES

The following are guidelines for outpatient surgical procedures at Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital

1. Full-Term Babies (37 weeks and higher) – Infant should be 44 weeks Post-conceptual age (PCA) or higher for discharge home after an outpatient surgical procedure.

2. Ex-Preemie Babies (less than 37 weeks) – Infant should be 60 weeks PCA or higher for discharge home after surgery. If the patient is less than 60 weeks PCA, the primary surgical team should book the case for overnight observation after surgery.

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.