SAFE PLACEMENT CDU PROTOCOL

INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Patient requires placement in acute rehabilitation or skilled nursing facility or higher level of care than can be provided in patient’s home
- Patient requires observation admission to qualify facilitate home supplies (hospital bed, oxygen) or services procurement
- High probability of care arrangements within 36 hour time frame
- Patient’s condition does NOT require inpatient admission needs

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Inpatient admission criteria are met
- Clinical or physical condition requires stabilization in an inpatient bed
- Patient’s condition requires long term placement (at assisted living facility)

CDU INTERVENTIONS AS INDICATED

- Consult social services, case managers, care coordination as needed
- Physical therapy evaluation
- Work with family, patient, primary care physician, and nursing services to coordinate best outpatient care
- Monitor vital signs, labs

CDU DISPOSITION

Home

- Home assistance arranged
- Family refuses placement
- Nursing home not available and family willing to take home patient

Admit

- Unable to obtain nursing home placement or home assistance and the patient is not safe for discharge home
- Clinical deterioration
- Need for inpatient admission identified