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Recommended

Oxytocin “In Use” Checklist for Women with Term Singleton- Babies

“This Oxytocin “In Use” Checklist represents a guideline for care: however, individualized medical care is directed by the physician.”

Checklist will be completed every 30 minutes. Oxytocin should be stopped or decreased if the following checklist cannot be completed.

Date and time completed _____

Fetal Assessment indicates:

- At least 1 acceleration of 15 bpm x 15 seconds in 30 minutes or moderate variability for 10 of the previous 30 minutes.
- No more than 1 late deceleration occurred.
- No more than 2 Variable decelerations exceeding 60 seconds in duration and decreasing greater than 60 bpm from the baseline within the previous 30 minutes.

Uterine Contractions

- No more than 5 uterine contractions in 10 minutes for any 20 minute interval
- No two contractions greater than 120 seconds duration
- Uterus palpates soft between contractions
- If IUPC is in place, MVU must calculate less than 300 mm Hg and the baseline resting tone must be less than 25 mm Hg.

***If Oxytocin is stopped the Pre-Oxytocin Checklist will be reviewed before Oxytocin is reinitiated.**

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