

**Title: Sedation (Moderate & Deep) Performed by Non-Anesthesiologists**

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**DEFINITION:**

**Moderate Sedation:** Moderate Sedation/Analgesia (Conscious Sedation) is a drug induced depression of consciousness during which patients respond purposefully to verbal commands, either alone or accompanied by light tactile stimulation. No interventions are required to maintain a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation is adequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained.

**Deep Sedation:** Deep Sedation/Analgesia is a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients cannot be easily aroused but respond purposefully following repeated or painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilator function may be impaired. Patients may require assistance in maintaining a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation may be inadequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained.

**POLICY:**

1. Moderate Sedation and Deep Sedation are core privileges for Cardiovascular Physicians, Emergency Medicine Physicians and Pulmonologists/Critical Care.
  - A. Requires successful completion of SJHS’s sedation and airway rescue quiz or equivalent examination provided by the respective ABMS/AOA Board of the applicant at initial and reappointment.
  
2. For other Non-Anesthesiologists education and training required are:
  - A. Education: MD, DO, DDS, DMD, CRNA
  - B. Training:
    - 1) Training in administering moderate and deep sedation as part of their residency training program or completion of a formal training program in moderate and deep sedation that included specific instruction on the administration of moderate and deep sedation. (DDS or DMD must be oral and maxillofacial surgeons or pediatric dental subspecialty surgeons).
    - 2) All practitioners must have current ACLS, PALS, or NRP certification
    - 3) Successful completion of a sedation and airway rescue quiz. Successful completion is defined as a passing score of 90%.
    - 4) The clinical administering the sedation must be qualified to manage the patient at whatever level of sedation is achieved, either intentionally or unintentionally.
  - C. Licensure: DEA and CSR that includes Schedules 11-V

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D. Experience:

- 1) Demonstrate current competence and evidence of the performance of at least 35 procedures in the past 12 months.

E. Proctoring:

- 1) 1 case proctored

F. Current Competence (all of the following):

- 1) 4 cases required at reappointment, and
- 2) Review is required of the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Practice Guidelines for Moderate Procedural Sedation and Analgesia 2018 located at:  
<https://pubs.asahq.org/anesthesiology/article/128/3/437/18818/Practice-Guidelines-for-Moderate-Procedural>.
- 3) Review is required of the SJHS Sedation Performed by Non-Anesthesia Provider Hospital Policy located at: <https://www.sjmed.com/for-physicians/medical-staff-policies-and-procedures>.
- 4) Requires successful completion of SJHS's sedation and airway rescue quiz at reappointment. Successful completion is defined as a passing score of 90%.

3. Moderate sedation cases requiring reversals due to “deep” level achieved require ongoing review by the Anesthesia Department Chair or designee

**References/Standards:**

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