

AN.13.1 The hospital identifies in a policy where moderate and deep sedation/analgesia are performed.

AN.13.2 The areas where moderate and deep sedation/analgesia are performed have adequate equipment and supplies that include at a minimum:

AN.13.2.1 Wall suction or suction machine.

AN.13.2.2 Oxygen source.

AN.13.2.3 Pulse oximetry.

AN.13.2.4 Automated blood pressure monitor or means of taking blood pressure.

AN.13.2.5 ECG Monitor.

AN.13.2.6 Crash cart with defibrillator, medications, IV access, and intubation equipment that is appropriate to the age of the patient.

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**Standard Intent:**

Sedation—in particular, moderate and deep sedation—poses risks to patients and thus needs to be provided in areas identified in a hospital policy. These approved and privileged areas must include but not limited to:

- Wall suction or suction machine.
  - Oxygen source.
  - Pulse oximetry.
  - Automated blood pressure monitor or means of taking blood pressure.
  - ECG Monitor
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**AN.14 There are policies and procedures for moderate and deep sedation/analgesia in the hospital.**

AN.14.1 Policies are collaboratively developed and approved by the head of anesthesia in collaboration with relevant disciplines.

AN.14.2 Policies for moderate and deep sedation/analgesia identify the permissible medications, dosage, route of administration, reversal agents and pediatric considerations.

AN.14.3 Moderate and deep sedation/analgesia is only used for patients having short diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

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**Standard Intent:**

The organization must have a policy for providing anesthesia services (including moderate and deep sedation) collaboratively developed and approved by the head of anesthesia in collaboration with relevant disciplines. The policy must clearly state the type of anesthesia, the medications used and fact that deep sedation is only used for patients having short diagnostic or therapeutics procedures.

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