

Providence Health Care	Department: Respiratory Services	Date Originated: September 1986 Date Revised: November 2008
PROCEDURE	Topic: <u>Critical Care –</u> External Transfer of Mechanically Ventilated Patients (Respiratory Therapy) Number: B-00-12-12008	Related Links: B-00-11-12003 B-00-11-12002 B-00-12-12007
<p>APPLICABLE SITES: St. Paul's Hospital Mount Saint Joseph Hospital</p> <p>GENERAL INFORMATION:</p> <p>To facilitate the external transport process, the Respiratory Therapist should receive as much advance notice as possible.</p> <p>The Respiratory Therapist will help to coordinate a suitable time for the transport, assess the patient's cardiorespiratory status, and gather appropriate equipment and supplies.</p> <p>A taxi voucher must be obtained from the sending area for transportation back to the home work site.</p> <p>TRANSPORT TEAM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respiratory Therapist • Registered Nurse assigned to the patient • Most responsible resident if the patient is deemed unstable by the Team <p>EQUIPMENT:</p> <p>For a complete list of required equipment, In-Hospital Transport of Mechanically Ventilated Patients.</p> <p>PROCEDURE:</p> <p>For the step-by-step procedure, In-Hospital Transport of Mechanically Ventilated Patients.</p> <p>NOTE: The LTV ventilator may only be used by trained Respiratory Therapists.</p>		