

SERVICE-AT-A-GLANCE

(MGH) Neurology

Location – Primary floor is 14 west

• Primary floor = 14W, also clients on 12east or west and ICU

Population –

- CVA
- Myasthenia Gravis
- GBS
- Parkinson's disease
- Encephalopathy
- Seizure disorder

Age range

• Adult and elderly

Impact of illness/injury

- Restrictions in function, pain control issues, cognitive-behavioral issues
- Post-op restrictions (drains, surgical restrictions)

Medications: be aware of their indications as well as side effects affecting functions and precautions

- sedatives
- pain medication
- blood thinners

Role – Describe the role of your service in point form.

- Swallowing assessment (bedside swallowing evaluation as per collective orders for strokes and as indicated for other clients)
- Functional Ax + assistance with discharge planning / recommendations for appropriate equipment and services
- Cognitive appreciation and driving screen
- · Positioning : helmets , protective and positioning splints, slings
- DSIE and CLSC referral
- Participate in family meetings to assist with discharge planning decisions

Team and Key Contacts– Indicate if you work in a multidisciplinary team; who are the key players, staff doctors, consulting CNS's and other specialists.

- Unit Coordinator: # 46401
- Head Nurse: 43378, spectra 43347
- Assistant Head Nurse: 43779 (spectra)
- OT : local 42378, 406 1579
- PT: pager: 514-406- 4087, local 42378
- SLP (stroke /TBI): ext: 42125 pager: 514-406-1154 and
- SW: #44145 and 44136 pager 514 -406-4467
- Dietician: pager 514 406- 4467
- Neuropsych : 44192

Rounds – List the day(s), hours and location(s) of the clinical rounds for your service.

- Tuesday at 1:30pm and Friday at 11:30am in Conference room
- Patient care rounds : Tuesday 1:30

Medical Tests – Describe in point form the principle/**most frequent** risk factors that you assess specifically related to your patient population.

- CT head , CTA,
- MRI head/spine,
- carotid Dopplers,
- CXR

Assessments - Describe in point form the principle/**most frequent** forms that you complete specifically related to your patient population in addition to the psychosocial assessment.

- MVPT, TRAIL, MMSE/MOCA,GOAT, Bells, Albert's test, line bisection
- MMT. 9HPT, Jamar

Resources - Describe in point form the principle/**most frequent** hospital and community resources that you allocate specifically related to your patient population.

- DSIE for rehab and out patient follow up
- In-patient rehab at IRGLM , CMR or Jewish rehab hospital
- Out patient follow up at Constance Lethbridge center, Lucie Bruneau
- CLSC
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"Insider" Info – List any tips, cautions, fast-tracks, templates or lists that would help facilitate a quick-start for someone new to this service.

 New stroke patients are identified on unit board and /or by phone message from assistant head nurse.