Patient Acceptance Criteria (VLTC)

Audience: All personnel in the Sleep Disorder Center.

Purpose: Explicit criteria for defining the patient population evaluated at the center assure that all patient evaluations are within the scope of the professional expertise and technical capability of the staff and appropriate for the center.

Policy:

Ages accepted: 18 – 99 years of age

Patient Status: Outpatient only

Sleep Complaints Evaluated:
- Sleep Apnea (Obstructive/Central)
- Organic sleep disorders
- Parasomnias
- Hypersomnia

Exclusions: Any untreated psychiatric or medical condition that would affect the validity of the study or endanger the clinical staff.

Referral Type: Physician referred (no self-referrals)

All patients referred for sleep studies must have a recent history and physical in their charts at the time of study. A complete review of patient information will be conducted by sleep center professional staff. Once approved, a member of the sleep center professional staff will notify the Patient Service Specialist (PSS) of the patient’s acceptance and the type of study to be scheduled. The PSS will then enter a note in the patient’s electronic medical record (Epic) regarding the patient’s acceptance and will proceed with scheduling.

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