

ORAL/MAXILLOFACIAL CDU PROTOCOL

CDU INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Isolated OMF Injury
- Mandible Fracture – Open or Displaced
- Dental/Alveolar Infections/Abscesses not okay to be treated as outpatient
- Potential to discharge in 23 hours

CDU EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Associated sepsis or unstable vital signs
- Unstable airway
- Multisystem Trauma (not isolated OMF injury)
- Patient immuno-compromised or elderly (>75 yo)
- Multiple co-morbid conditions
- Acute altered mental status
- Unable to ambulate or not at baseline of ADLs
- Requires 1:1 nursing observation

CDU INTERVENTIONS AS INDICATED

- Serial vital signs and re-evaluations
- IV antibiotics as indicated, IV fluids
- Analgesics
- Laboratory, imaging studies
- Consultation with OMF

CDU DISPOSITION

Home

- Stable labs and vital signs at disposition
- Improved clinical condition, pain resolved or significantly improved
- No diagnosis requiring hospitalization
- Tolerating adequate PO diet & able to take oral medications
- Consultant agreement if involved in decision making
- Adequate follow-up plan established

Admit

- Not improved or worsening condition, vital signs or pertinent lab values
- Requires ongoing IV therapy
- PO intolerance
- Unable to care for self at home, home care unavailable
- Positive findings that require hospitalization
- EP or consultant discretion