

70438.1 Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory Service-General Requirements

The cardiac catheterization laboratory service may be approved in a general acute care hospital which does not provide cardiac surgery provided the following requirements are met:

(a)

The hospital shall maintain a current written transfer agreement as specified in Section 1255 of the Health and Safety Code, which shall include all of the following: (1) Provisions for emergency and routine transfer of patients. (2) Provisions which specify that cardiac surgery staff and facilities shall be immediately available to the patient upon notification of an emergency. (3) Provisions which specify that the cardiac catheterization laboratory staff shall have responsibility for arranging transportation to the receiving hospitals.

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(b)

Only the following diagnostic procedures shall be performed in the catheterization laboratory: (1) Right heart catheterization and angiography. (2) Right and left heart catheterization and angiography. (3) Left heart catheterization and angiography. (4) Coronary angiography. (5) Electrophysiology studies. (6) Myocardial biopsy.

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(c)

The hospital shall comply with all of the requirements of Sections 70433(a), (b), (c)(1), (e), (i), (j), 70435 a) and 70437(a).