

## Department of Anesthesia

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Antibiotic Administration

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Guidelines for Antibiotic  
Preparation In Surgery

**POLICY:**

Antibiotics ordered by the surgeon during the preoperative or intraoperative period should be given in accordance with guidelines from the Operating Room Pharmacy and Hospital Surgical Infection Control Preventive Policies for antimicrobial prophylaxis "Attachment A".

**PROCEDURE:**

- The operating room pharmacy will provide "Guidelines for IV Antibiotics Preparation in Surgery"
- When at all possible and time permits, the intravenous antibiotic should be mixed and dispensed by the Operating Room Pharmacy.
- If preparation is required during anesthesia, the drug should be mixed and administered with caution and in compliance with guidelines from the Pharmacy.
- If in doubt, the practitioner should contact the Pharmacy to confirm dilution and rate of administration.

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