Postpartum Hemorrhage in the ED



Postpartum Hemorrhage (PPH) is defined as:

"A cumulative blood loss of ≥1,000 mL OR blood loss accompanied by signs or symptoms of hypovolemia within 24 hours after the birth process regardless of route of delivery" (ACOG, 2017)

- Primary PPH: occurs within 24 hours of delivery
- Secondary PPH: occurs 24 hours 12 weeks after delivery

*It is predicted that up to 90% of all obstetrical hemorrhage deaths can be prevented (ACOG, 2019)



Postpartum Hemorrhage Virtual Pyxis Kit

Available/Overridable in Pyxis - Must search 3-characters KIT or HEM (*Refrigerated)

• Medications include: list could contain additional meds, facility specific

- Oxytocin (Pitocin)
- Misoprostol (Cytotec)
- Tranexamic Acid (Cyklokapron)
- Carboprost (Hemabate)*
- Methylergonovine (Methergine)*





Contact your Facility
Pharmacy with any
Questions EXT

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