

In-patients and those with physical status 3 to 5:

In-patients and those with physical status 3 to 5 are likely to require sophisticated postoperative surgical and anesthetic management. It is possible but unlikely that these patients will meet criteria for Fast Track or discharge home. Attending medical staff will consider these factors when deciding postoperative disposition.

Responsibility for routing choice:

The attending anesthesiologist and surgeon will consider, decide and carry responsibility for choice of postoperative routing.

Flexibility of guidelines:

Medical decisions require complex interpretation of clinical information. Policies and procedures cannot embrace complexity, therefore these policies should be taken for guidance only.

End.