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PATH (Promoting
Accessibility To Healthcare)

USING THE PATH FORM IN EPIC CHILDREN'S SURGERY CENTER

! PATH Participant (Promoting Accessibility to Healthcare for Neurodivergent Patients) ↗

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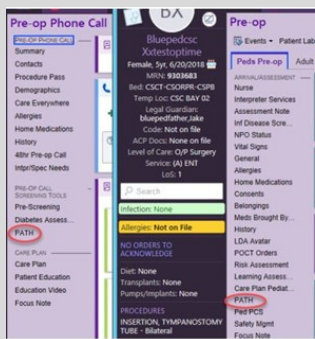
What is the PATH Symbol in EPIC?



Why is PATH charting important?

- A symbol in EPIC that lets staff know the patient is neurodivergent and has specific patient preferences and support needs
- It lets the caretaker know to SLOW DOWN and REVIEW the chart prior to encountering the patient
- It is a centralized place for the care considerations for neurodiverse patients
- It automatically populates for any pediatric patient that has an Autism diagnosis
- Pre-Op phone calls intention is to complete the survey prior to the day of surgery
- Updates to the PATH form can be made at any time and any clinician can fill out

How do you fill out the survey?

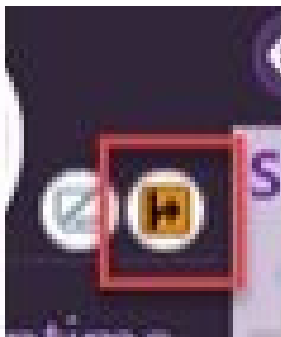


- The survey can be assessed from the Storyboard, the Snapshot PATH Banner, the Pre-Op Call navigator, or the Pre-Op navigator
- Click YES if the neurodivergent patient would benefit from the PATH form
- If updating form, *update the name of the reviewer and review date* and complete all questions
- Complete and/or update the form with information given by the patient or family
- At any time during the visit, information can be added. Free text boxes may be used if more detailed information is needed
- The form automatically saves when filling it out

Finding the PATH Icon

The PATH symbol can be found on the Status Board and the Story Board.

The Story Board PATH symbol is a link to the PATH assessment tool.



- Contacts
- Procedure Pass
- PRE-OP PHONE CALL
- Summary
- Contacts
- Procedure Pass
- Demographics
- Care Everywhere
- Allergies
- Home Medications
- History
- 48hr Pre-op Call
- Intrpr/Spec Needs
- Call Complete
- PRE-OP CALL SCREENING TOOLS
- Pre-Screening
- PATH
- CARE PLAN
- Care Plan
- Patient Education
- Education Video
- Focus Note

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Patient would benefit from PATH ☒ Yes ☐ No

Name of Reviewer

Initiated/Reviewed Date

Communication Preferences

PATH to understanding how you communicate best with us: ☐ Non verbal ☒ 1-2 word responses ☐ Full sentences ☒ Communication device

☐ Short phrases ☐ Sign language ☐ Gestures/points ☐ Other

Other: Explain communication specifics

Behavioral Support Needs

PATH to understanding behavior when you are upset: ☐ Cries/screams ☒ Runs/elopes ☐ Self injurious ☐ Injure to others

☐ Kicks/pushes to get away ☐ Throws things ☐ Hitting/biting self

☐ Hitting/biting others ☐ Other

Other: Explain behavior

PATH to understanding what makes you upset so we can avoid it, if possible: ☐ Loud noises ☐ Touch ☐ Sitting still for too long/waiting ☐ Bright lights

☐ Being held down ☐ Sensitivity to smells ☐ Excessive number of staff ☒ Other

Other: Explain upsetting triggers

PATH to understanding what motivates you: ☐ High/low fives ☐ Ticks ☐ Snacks ☐ Stickers ☒ Videos ☐ Verbal praise ☐ Other

Other: Explain other rewards

PATH to understanding what helps your caregiver or support person: ☐ Communication/knowning what is going on or happening ☐ Being patient

☐ Being able to hold/comfort

☐ Explaining procedure to support person prior to performing on you ☐ Other

Other: Explain

Calming Methods and Comfort

PATH to understanding what calms you: ☐ Videos ☐ Favorite character ☐ Being held/hugs ☒ Music ☐ Comfort item

☐ Tablet/phone/electronic device ☒ Warm blanket ☐ Swinging

☐ Letting you participate (swab, hold bp bulb, etc) ☐ Noise cancelling headphones

☐ Books ☐ Other

Other: Explain calming methods

PATH to understanding what might make you comfortable in this environment: ☐ Dimmed lights ☐ Pre-explained procedures ☐ Pre-modeled procedures

☐ Low noise level ☐ Written schedule ☐ Visual schedule ☐ Provide time warning

☐ Limit number of staff ☒ Other

How much time?

Other: Explain comfort opportunities

Approaches to Care

Procedure/Surgery
(Pre/Post Support)

80%

Anesthesia

80%

Inpatient

80%

Clinic/Outpatient
Services

80%

Emergency
Department

80%