Health maintenance procedures performed under anesthesia: Referral

Diagnosis/Definition
- Screening and Prevention Services such as clinical breast exam, pelvic exam, and cervical cancer screening under anesthesia are not warranted on their own merit. The risk of anesthesia outweighs possible benefit
- If an exam is warranted for diagnostic / therapeutic purposes such as abnormal bleeding, history of abuse, STI, or other reasons then a referral can be placed to OB/GYN for consultation prior to scheduling the CO for the exam under anesthesia.

Specialty Care Referral
To be completed prior to placing referral:
- Women’s health exam
- Confirm that cervical or breast cancer screening is indicated.
- Provide comprehensive cervical and breast screening history
- Confirm if other health care issues may need to be addressed, e. g., dental

Indications for Referral
- Physical or mental conditions that preclude provision of health maintenance in the unmedicated outpatient setting

and

- This service is being coordinated with other procedures that require anesthesia: colonoscopy, cholecystectomy, dental, etc...

Provider Information
- Female patients with health maintenance needs who are primarily undergoing other procedures that require anesthesia: colonoscopy, cholecystectomy, dental, etc...

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