Protocol for Telehealth scheduling of Ortho Trauma Patients at Rusk Rehab

- Tara Powell, RN will identify those patients with impending discharge from UHC to Rusk and make an appointment for a telehealth appt prior to the patient’s departure from UHC.
- A 12:15pm on Thursday telehealth time slot with Kelly Small, FNP has been specifically reserved for Rusk patients. Additional Telehealth time slots available are Mondays and Fridays at 12:00pm.
- After a patient arrives at Rusk, Betty Dugan, UC will identify whether or not the patient has been appropriately set up with a telehealth appt as the patient’s f/u appointment (instead of one requiring the patient to travel to the clinic). If not, Betty will contact Tara and arrange the appropriate follow-up. If Tara is unavailable Betty will contact Kelly.
- Tara will contact Mary Wulff for final scheduling of the appt into IDX.

- Prior to the telehealth appointments, Rusk staff should fax over the following information:
  - Vital signs (temperature, pulse, and blood pressure) within the last 24 hours
  - A copy of the current medication administration record
  - Update from physical therapy (ROM of injured extremity)
  - Anticipated discharge date from Rusk
- Rusk will have the patient’s nurse, resident physician, or attending physician available for discussion with the ortho trauma provider during the telehealth visit.
- The ortho trauma provider will communicate verbal orders to the Rusk staff during the telehealth visit. If requested by Rusk staff, the ortho trauma provider will fax over the orders.

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