CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION - DOCUMENTATION PROTOCOL
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IMMEDIATELY after the catheterization while still in the lab:

A review and correct as necessary the hemodynamics on the Sensis before it is transferred to the PedCATH computer (cath nurses will do this with you)
B select images from the study to be downloaded on the website with the heart diagram (standard biopsies excluded). This is done in the control room before the angiograms are transferred. Images will be deleted the following morning at 0730h (if you need them left longer, please notify X-Ray technician)

PEDCATH Report

A create the heart diagram with hemodynamics, diagnoses, and comments on the PedCATH computer, and export it to the website.
B review the cath lab case summary on the Sensis workstation (the screen next to the PedCATH computer in the angio review room), correct as needed, and finalize the report.
C the fellow should then printout the heart diagram, and cath lab case summary, place them in the ‘cath zebra’, and put in cardiology mailbox (located outside the fellows’ room) of the staff who did the cath for final review and signature.

COPIES OF PEDCATH DIAGRAM TO:
- Referring cardiologist – Please manually write “PRELIMINARY REPORT” on the diagram
- If an intervention (usually coil occlusions) done by physician other than Benson/Chaturvedi/Lee, please forward a copy to Dr. Benson for data entry into cath database.

Once PEDCATH diagram is signed, it is sent to Electronic Patient Record.

COMPLICATIONS
Input complications data on the SENSIS system. Previous paper documentation has been eliminated.
TO AVOID THE MAKING THE FREQUENT ERRORS:

PATIENT NAME  Please be careful of Last Name & First Name orders as these often get reversed.

CATH #  = IS NOT the ANGIO No.

IDENTIFICATION OF
1. ATTENDING PHYSICIAN = cardiologist performing the catheterization
2. HSC REFERRING CARDIOLOGIST or “CARDIAC TRANSPLANT TEAM”
3. ANY OUTSIDE REFERRING CARDIOLOGIST
4. FELLOW performing the catheterization

FLUORO TIME  Must be documented. If not on the zebra packet, the cath lab has this data.

ACCESS:  Often forgotten

COMPLICATIONS  Must be stated in the comments section.

FOLLOW-UP  Must be stated in the comments section.

GENERAL POINTS WHEN DOING DIAGRAMS:

1. Keep the diagram clear and not too crowded.

2. Use the comments section to clarify some of the hemodynamics if needed.

3. Do not repeat the data or hemodynamics in the comments section if already documented on the diagram, pressure boxes or elsewhere.