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Procedure: EKG

1. Introduce yourself and ask if they have ever had an EKG before
 - If no, then explain the procedure to them
2. Ask patient to remove and articles of clothing that will be in the way and to lay down on the bed
 - Woman may keep their bra on
 - Be sure to pull the foot rest out for them
3. If patient is male, assess whether they need to be shaved in order for electrodes to be placed
4. Enter patient into EKG machine
 - a. Press **ON/STANDBY**
 - b. Machine will read "PERFORMING RELIABILITY CHECKS"
 - c. Once message clears press **PATIENT**
 - d. Patient ID is left clear, press **ENTER**
 - e. Press **CAPS LOCK**
 - f. Enter last name, press **ENTER**
 - g. Enter first name, press **ENTER**
 - h. Enter D.O.B, press **ENTER**
 - i. Enter Gender, press **ENTER**
 - j. Continue to press enter till screen gives you an option to press **HOME**
5. Prep the area for electrodes to be placed with gel using the gauze provided
6. Place electrodes on patients (refer to diagram)
7. Attach cables according to the matching label
8. Make sure the screen does not read any "drifts" or "noises"
9. Wait for BPM to stabilize (Patient should not be talking or have ligaments crossed during this period)
10. Press **ECG** and the report will print

11. Tear off and take to Dr. to approve

12. If she needs another report the process must be done from step 4 again

13. Return to patient and disconnect cables and remove all electrodes

