

CDU Abdominal Pain Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

Inclusion Criteria

1. Undifferentiated abdominal pain needing further diagnostic evaluation, analgesia, antibiotics, IV fluids, and/or antiemetic.
2. Dehydration secondary to vomiting/diarrhea or intractable symptoms for which intervention is indicated.

Exclusion Criteria

1. Fever over 103 degrees
2. Obstruction and infection
3. Sepsis
4. Acute Peritonitis
5. Systemic disorder
 - a. Renal Failure
 - b. DM
 - c. Sickle Cell disease
 - d. immunosuppression
6. Age over 65

Clinical Decision Unit Interventions

1. Serial exams including Vital Signs every 4 hours
2. Analgesic
3. Antipyretic
4. Antiemetic
5. IV hydration
6. Antimicrobial agents

Disposition Criteria

1. Home
 - a. DX of renal calculi
 - b. Pain control
 - c. DX if pyelonephritis without vomiting x 12 hours
 - D. Tolerate PO medications
2. Hospital
 - a. DX if renal calculi with UTI
 - b. Inability to control pain and N&V on PO medications
 - c. Pyelonephritis with inability to tolerate PO medications

Time Frame

1. 8 to 24 hours observation and treatment