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will follow plan of care.

What *was* the plan of care? When did it change?

03/26 11:29

Pastoral Care Y. Louis Hicks, Chaplain

Follow up visit with son. He was concerned about the need for his father to be suctioned. Passed information on to Nurse and Social Worker handling patient's care. Offered words of encouragement and support for son.

March 26, Wednesday

No nursing notes of substance on day when:

- Full-code patient develops acute respiratory distress and status degrades to critical.
- Attending physician turns care over to a "nonexistent" pulmonologist and leaves hospital.
- Surrogate purportedly decides to withhold treatment from his previously recovering father.

13:03

Secretions John Robinson, RN

Problem: Impaired Gas Exchange

pt suctiond prn with little results. pt placed on 100% nonrebreathing mask and is sating >94%. pt's son informed that the secretions are to deep to suction and pt needs to cough to bring secretions up further.

03/27 09:30

Precise time was 9:50 am

Tests/Procedures Denise L. Johnston, RN

pt ordered labs and xray. son refused any treatment. Dr. Weiner on floor and made aware. Dr. Weiner in to see pt and was asked to leave by pt son. orders to stop all treatment and to give morphine only for comfort witnessed by 2 nurses Denise Johnston and Elaine Warren. cont to monitor

13:08

Rhythm & Character Elaine Warren, R.N

Problem: Impaired Airway Clearance

resp labored entire shift but 02 sat wnl 02 sat began decreasing as charted sx. o2 checked and dr. aware and present at the time. pt. refused cxr and all preventative care. statement via son verified c another team member.pt.s son refused all care not pt as stated above. dr. notified and pallitive care started stat morphine 3mgm. admin s.q as ordered. son acting very bizzare and confused stating dont do anything else for my father. then later stating no call anew dr. i want everything done . pastoral c. called forsupport,psych nurse. h.o spoke c son and made comfort. as poss. pt. made comf. as poss. also . care and v/s as charted.

Refused what sort of preventative care?
Without intubation what care was being offered?
Without intubation what outcome was being prevented?

Palliative care started < 1 hour before death. What was the level of care prior to this time?

10:15 am

Nurse Elaine Warren and Nomeda witness Dr. Weiner's refusal to return to room.

Hospital manager Elise Reilly and chaplain Susan Mitchell "try" to get any other doctor available into room but "can't find one."

14:00

Summary Denise L. Johnston, RN

pt dying and son in room at bedside with caregiver. son refused any treatment for pt. witnessed by Elaine Warren RN and Denise Johnston RN. pt expired and pronounced by Dr. Fadul at 215 pm pastoral care notified and went to room. Dr. Fadul to notify attending

Refused what kind of treatment?
Without intubation what treatment was on the table?

18:19

Discharge Note Wullaimatu Kamara, RN

Pt expired today.Body picked up by Torchinsky morgue company.Son remained at the bedside till pick up arrived.Wrapped in a plain sheet of cloth per Jewish laws.

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Admit Physician: NAWAZ AHMED MD Attending: NAWAZ AHMED MD

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