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## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

**Sleep Research Lab**

### **ECG MEDICAL ALERT CRITERIA**

#### **Re: 12-lead ECG abnormalities**

After a 12-lead ECG has been completed, please note the preliminary diagnosis at the top part of the printout for the following abnormalities:

**2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> degree AV (atrioventricular) block**

**Ventricular tachycardia**

**Any tachycardia above 120 bpm**

**Any bradycardia below 40 bpm**

**Acute infarct (or any infarct marked as acute)**

If any of these diagnoses are noted on the ECG printout, please notify the GCRC nurse to call the appropriate resident or PG-3 on call.

If there are any questionable findings on the printout, do not hesitate to ask the GCRC nursing staff.

### **NON-EMERGENCY ABNORMALITIES**

If any of the following non-emergent abnormalities appear on the ECG printout at the top of the page, please make a copy of the printout along with the volunteer's intake form and send to Dr. Skatrud for medical followup:

**Old infarct**

**ST T-wave changes indicative of possible ischemia**

**Atrial fibrillation**