

Newborn Drop Algorithm for Providers on MOMB

Infant Fall or Drop

- Immediate exam by bedside nurse with subsequent documentation of fall within Cerner and entered as RL
- Provider notified and exam recommended within 60min of fall/drop
- IRRT to be called for unstable infant

Signs of altered mental status or palpable skull fracture

No

- Palpable occipital, temporal or parietal scalp hematoma present?
- LOC > 5 sec?
- Severe mechanism of injury
- Infant not acting normally per parent or nurse

No

- **CT scan NOT indicated**
- **Recommend observation minimum of 12hrs**

Yes

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