Decision made for major spine surgery
Surgery scheduling form filled out

Spine Nurse Coordinator contact with parent/guardian by phone for brief introduction, education and complete pre-op surgical assessment

Pre-Op Surgical Evaluation (2-4 weeks prior to surgery date)

Spine Nurse Coordinator
Complete Pre-op Surgery Checklist
- Peri-op process, hospitalization and Inpatient Care Team document
- Surgical Handouts
- Instructions for bacterial decolonization

Radiographs
- Standing, seated, or supine full length scoliosis radiographs based on patient's ability
- AP/PA, lateral, right bend, left bend, radiographs

Surgeon
- Review Pre-op Surgery Checklist
- Discuss plan for surgery with family
- Review Risks vs Benefits of surgery

Labs:
- MRSA swab
- CBC
- BMP (Chem 8)
- Type and screen
- UA with reflex to culture

Social Work evaluation for any needs

H&P completed within 30 days of surgery per hospital policy, prefer by PCP

Day of Surgery

Admit to pre/post morning of surgery
NPO guidelines per anesthesia/hospital policy
Surgeon to see patient prior to surgery and update H&P
Surgical site marked per hospital policy
Chlorhexidine gluconate wipe to be done in CARES by nurse
Urine pregnancy screen (serum HCG may be substituted – All post menarchal female patients Type and Cross for 1 unit of pRBCs

Go to OR

5 days prior to surgery:
Start the Bacterial Decolonization Protocol

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