Initial Assessments

Assessment of suitability for physical and occupational therapy by medical team Functional evaluation by PT/OT to assess level of activity



Preparation for Physical Therapy

•Ensure adequate tubing slack to allow safe movement of patient without undue strain on circuit

Secure all intravenous lines, remove extraneous connections

Ensure adequate portable oxygen supply (respiratory therapist as needed)

Ensure hemodynamic monitoring available throughout treatment

Inspect extracorporeal circuit

- Tighten all connections
- •Assess for leaks and thromboses within tubing

Assemble and brief the team (PT, OT, nurse, perfusionist, nurse practitioner)



Responsibilities:

- •Monitoring vital signs: PT, OT, and nurse
- •Monitoring circuit integrity: perfusionist
- •Assisting the patient and providing contact guard: PT, OT