STANDING ORDER

NAUSEA/VOMITING

I. ASSESSMENT

A. Take vital signs, including temperature.

B. Assess for blood in emesis.

C. Obtain medical history, including the onset, duration and precipitating factors of the nausea/vomiting.

II. MANAGEMENT

A. For simple nausea/vomiting:
   1. Give diet as tolerated (clear liquids, crackers), or
   2. Bismuth liquid, 2 tbsp QID, or
   3. If unable to keep medications down, give Phenergan 25 mg rectal suppository or PO BID x 24 hours.
   4. If GI infection is suspected, isolate patient until vomiting subsides.

III. EVALUATION

A. If vomiting accompanied by fever or dehydration, contact Facility Provider for orders.

B. If blood in emesis, call Facility Provider for orders. Blood must be verified by Facility Nurse.

C. If a large amount of blood is present in emesis, transport patient to ER.

D. If vomiting persists more than 2 days, call Facility Provider for orders.

E. If jaundice is present, isolate and refer to Facility Provider for orders.