

A ***conditional citation*** by Joint Commission has put our organization at risk for losing hospital certification and accreditation due ***to lack of timely operative/procedure notes or an immediate post-operative/post-procedure progress note following a case involving anesthesia or procedural sedation.***

The required documentation is a CMS standard. Compliance is not optional. **A surveyor will return sometime between 7/22/19 and 8/2/19 to evaluate our compliance.**

MSEC previously mandated that an operative/procedure note or an immediate post-operative/post procedure progress note must be completed before the patient leaves the procedure/operative room if the case involved moderate or deep sedation or anesthesia.

If not completing an operative/procedure note immediately, **use Dyn Doc's Immediate Post Op Note or the Immediate Post Procedure Note template.** The templates meet the minimal documentation requirements. Access to the templates is within the Cerner MPage workflows.

The following must be documented in an immediate post-op/post procedure note:

- Name of proceduralist & assistants
- Post procedure diagnosis
- Procedure(s) performed
- Finding(s)
- Specimen(s) removed, if applicable
- Estimated blood loss, if applicable
- Dated, timed, and signed

Thank you for your cooperation in addressing this very serious concern.