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Description: Patient(mom) came to hospital in labor. Patient stated her water had broke at 0230 and it was around 0830 when she arrived. Patient delivered vaginally a healthy baby girl. Patient did have a laceration that was stitched up. Patient lost 1000mL of blood. When patient was being transferred to postpartum, when she stood up, she passed out. Patient was then given fluid bolusX2. Patient kept passing out when getting up. Blood work was drawn and H&H within normal limits. Patients heart rate remained around 150s. No temp and patient states she feels just fine. WBCs were elevated.

Feelings: My original feelings towards the situation was that she was bleeding inside and no one was finding it. My nurse notified the MD but instruction was to just keep monitoring the patient and no further orders. I just kept thinking something is going on with the heart rate and this mom was passing out and no one is doing anything about it. Also it was brought to MDs attention that she was flagged for possible sepsis but again MD just said she needed to equalize out. I just kept thinking something is being missed.

Evaluation: The good was my nurse kept advocating for the patient. Another good is the patient never felt bad other than when she got up to go to the bathroom she would pass out. It was difficult knowing something seemed to be going on but there was no orders to do anything. What went well is patient was always safe and was fine when she remained in the bed. Was able to teach well about safety and when to call for help while family also remained with the patient.

Analysis: I can apply that patient is at risk for sepsis since her water had broke way before she was in labor so she is at risk for infection. I think it was good that the computer did flag her for mews and was able to notify the MD with this. I guess from my original thinking that it was from blood loss and she had more signs of sepsis helped me see a bigger picture. But end the end nothing came about it and I guess patient was just fine. I still get confused of why the heart rate was high and she passed out several times.

Conclusion: I have learned that it is still very important to advocate for your patient even when the MD does not seem to be concerned. It was good that my nurse documented everything she done for patient and when she notified the MD. I do think it is great to always seem more alarmed than to blow it off.

Action Plan: I plan to do everything my nurse did. I got to see how documentation is important. I will continue to assess my patient constantly so things don't get missed. I

really wish I knew the outcome and also be able to speak to MD in person of why she didn't do more.