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## Paracentesis Guidelines

The purpose of this guideline is to define MRG's management of patients who require a Paracentesis procedure.

### Scope

This guideline applies to any patient who undergoes a Paracentesis procedure under the care of a MRG physician.

### Guideline

At all hospital facilities:

- **Max drainage for 1<sup>st</sup> time Paracentesis patients = 5 liters**
- **Returning Paracentesis patients: 50 grams of Albumin for every 5 liters drained**  
(Round to the nearest liter)
  - If 4.5 – 9.5 liters are removed, give Albumin 25% 50 grams IV
  - If >9.5 – 14.5 liters are removed, give Albumin 25% 100 grams IV