

## **Care of the ICU cardiac surgery patient**

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The management of the ICU cardiac surgery patient implies knowledge of both pathological and surgical process and the implications for post surgery evolution.

The nurse's continued presence with the patient allows her to screen for abnormalities and refer them to the physician.

The ability of the nurse to detect early signs of impairment is an optimal management.

The technical assistance inherent in patient monitoring should not overshadow the importance of clinical observation.

The management of the ICU cardiac surgery patient is a whole combining knowledge and experience.