Amniocentesis Protocol

Personnel
- Attending
- Resident or Fellow
- Nurse

Equipment and supplies
- Ultrasound Machine
- Ultrasound Gel
- Betadine or Hibiclens
- Sterile towels
- Amniocentesis needle 20 or 22 gauge or Amniocentesis Kit
- Syringe

Labs needed
- HIV status
- Rh status

Location
- Prior to elective delivery – Perinatal Center
- Admitted patients – Labor and Delivery (Special Care 5, 6 or 7) or Triage

Procedure
- Informed consent
- Check labs
- Find amnio site with ultrasound
- Time out by nurse
- Use sterile technique to do procedure
- Fluid for studies
- Viable pregnancies are monitored at least 2 hours
- Appropriate disposition made
- Detailed procedure note written