HEADACHE

TRANSFER CRITERIA
- Persistent pain in tension or migraine headache
- Hx of migraine with same aura, onset, location and pattern
- No focal neurological signs
- Normal CT scan (if done)
- Normal LP (if done and may be kept post normal LP)
- Drug related headache

EXCLUSION CRITERIA
- Focal neurologic signs
- Meningismus
- Elevated intraocular pressure as cause (glaucoma)
- Abnormal CT scan
- Abnormal LP (if performed)
- Hypertensive emergency (diastolic BP > 120 with symptoms)
- Tender temporal artery and/or grossly elevated ESR (if done)
- Blocked VP shunt

OBSERVATION UNIT
- Serial exams including vital signs
- Analgesics

DISPOSITION CRITERIA

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