SOCIAL ADMISSIONS

Transfer Criteria
- Pt. requires assisted living arrangements, i.e. home care
- Family requires assistance with home care needs
- High probability of care arrangements within 18 hour time frame
- Continuing care consult available within 4 hours
- Patients' condition does NOT require extensive nursing care in Obs unit
  (i.e. very debilitated, or highly demented)

Exclusion Criteria
- Inability to place pt. within 18 hour time frame
- Home Care social worker unable to provide timely consult to Obs. Unit
- Clinical or physical condition requires stabilization as in-patient
- Patients' condition requires a higher intensity of service than Obs nursing
  can provide in unit (i.e. 1 on 1 nursing)

Interventions
- Consult Home Care
- Monitor vital signs, labs
- Contact PMD for admission should Home Care not be able to place pt.
  within 18 hours
- Patient should not require restraints or a sitter
- Contact ATO prior to transfer to 1NW

Disposition
- Home - Home assistance arranged
- Family refuses N.H. placement
- N.H. not available and family willing to take pt. home
- Hospital - Unable to obtain N.H. placement or home assistance
  - Pt.'s physical status changes, unstable vitals