Lead Troubleshooting (CEEG)

If you lose the waveform in one of your 4 channels, go through the following steps:

- A. Examine the electrode impedance
- B. Replace problem electrodes
- C. Assess for lead failure

A. Evaluate Electrode Impedance





In the EEG screen, use the smart keys at the bottom. Scroll to the right until you see the EEG Montage option.





The default montage is "Long Bipolar".

This is the standard montage for critical care.

The other montages are setup and used by Neuro Critical Care.

SEF1	24.0
MDF1	22.0
PPF1	23.5
SEF2	24.0
MDF2	22.0
PPF2	23.5

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EEG Impedance

Electrode codes are as follows: **F** (frontal) **P** (parietal) **Fp** (frontal polar) **T** (temporal) A ("zero" or electrode on midline)

EEGI-	AI	ZKUNM
EEG2+	Fp2	2kOhm
EEG2-	A2	2kOhm
EEG3+	F7	2k0hm
EEG3-	T5	2kOhm
EEG4+	F8	2kOhm
EEG4-	T6	2kOhm









Electrode and Channels

- Notice the colored line that connects two or more leads (blue line in this example).
- The **blue square** that matches the line color tells you which ECG waveform corresponds to these collective leads (EEG2)
- Both sections show you the **3** leads that must be working on the right (Fp2, F8 and A2)



Fp2

F8

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A2







Impedance:

- Measures electrode-to-skin impedance continuously
- Individual electrode impedance is shows in lower table
- Impedance measurements require at least 2 electrodes.
- Impedance should be less than 5 kOhms

e Limit:	5kOhm Fp1-A1 Fp2-A2 F7-T5
	-84-16 Impedance
Fp1	2k0hm
A1	2k0hm
Fp2	ZKUNI
A2	2kOhm
F7	2kOhm
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F 8	2kOhm
T6	2kOhm



Impedance Code:

- √ impedance within range (< 5 kOhm)
- X electrode disconnected or faulty
 - 1 impedance above limit

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T6

? noisy signal

5kOhm Fp1-A1 Fp2-A2 F7-T5 F8-T6 ance

kOhm

kOhm

kOhm kOhm kOhm

kOhm

zkOhm

2k0hm

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Correcting Problem Electodes:

Use the diagram and table to identify the electrode that requires attention. Example: T6 is > 5 kOhm and is yellow.

Change T6 electode (electrode behind right ear). If this does not correct the problem, change the "partner electrode" (F8).

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F8

T6



	Long Bi	oolar 🔽	
	Impedance	e Limit:	5kOhm
	EEG1		Fp1-A1
	EEG2		Fp2-A2
	EEC2		67_T
	EEG4		F8-T6
 ✓ 	Channel	5.4	Impedance
A2	EEG1+	Fp1	2kUhm 2kOhm
	EEGI-	En 2	2k0hm
	EEG2-	A2	2k0hm
	EEG3+	F7	2k0hm
	EEG3-	T5	2k0hm
	EEG4+	F8	շե∪րա
	EEG4-	T6	6 0hm

B. Change Problem Electrodes

B. Change Leads

- Wet a washcloth with warm water (NO soap, cleanser or alcohol) and scrub area where electrode will be placed
- 2. Rub vigorously with a dry washcloth or towel (to remove residue and roughen epithelial cells)
- 3. Rub a small amount of Nuprep* into the skin on all areas where electrodes will be applied
- 4. Remove all traces of Nuprep with a dry washcloth

*a mild abrasive gel that reduces impedance, improves conductivity and reduces artifact



Nuprep

C. Identify Lead Failure





To Check for Lead Failure

Switch the leads for the "problem" electrode (F8)and its corresponding electrode on the opposite side (F7)

EEG3+	F7	2k0hm
EEG3-	T5	2kOhm
EEG4+	F8	2kOhm
EEG4-	T6	2kOhm



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To Check for Lead Failure

If the problem electrode is now F7 (the problem stayed with the lead), you have a faulty lead. Make note of the color of the lead that is faulty.

Obtain a new CEEG lead set. Leave the damaged set for biomedical with a note identifying the faulty color.