

LSU Health Sciences Center-Shreveport
Gamma Knife
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Gamma Knife Referral

Policy:

To provide guidelines when internal or external patients are referred for Gamma Knife Procedures.

Procedure:

When the Gamma Knife Nurse obtains pertinent medical records for case presentation, the Gamma Knife Team makes a recommendation on whether or not the patient is a candidate for the Gamma Knife Procedure.

1. All of patient's medical records pertinent to diagnosis are obtained for evaluation prior to or during consultation in Neurosurgery Clinic.
2. Patient seen in Neurosurgery Clinic on consultation
3. Gamma Knife nurse sends the patient information to Radiation Oncologist.
4. Decision is made on whether or not to treat patient.
5. Physicist is contacted to confirm their coverage for day of treatment.
6. Gamma Knife nurse will contact patient and schedule Gamma Knife procedure.
7. Patient education is performed and documented by Gamma Knife nurse.
8. Pre-op instructions are provided by the Gamma Knife nurse.

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