

USE OF FLUOROSCOPIC EQUIPMENT

Purpose:

To define the Department of Diagnostic Imaging's policy concerning the use of fluoroscopic equipment by non-physician personnel thereby enhancing the radiation policies and principles of radiation safety.

Policy:

1. Radiologic Technologists shall not independently perform diagnostic fluoroscopic procedures for the purpose of interpretive diagnosis. Fluoroscopy for diagnosis is performed by a Radiologist or a credentialed physician.
2. Licensed Radiologic Technologist trained in radiation safety and the proper use of a fluoroscopic machine may fluoroscope only under the direction of a physician and in his/her presence. The Radiologic Technologist may perform fluoroscopic procedures (under the direction of a physician) for:
 - a. Placement of tubes, catheters, and other items,
 - b. Positioning of tubes, catheters, and other items, as required, except for diagnosis.

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