

Title	Workflow for Technologists (Informatics)	Policy #	01-012
	· · ·		

POLICY

It is the policy of the Division of Diagnostic Imaging and Radiology that all technologists adhere to a consistent, accurate, and safe workflow process.

PURPOSE

- 1. To ensure that the correct exams are performed.
- 2. To make sure exams that have been cancelled by clinicians are not done.
- 3. Verify that the Radiology Information System (RIS) accurately reflects the exams completed.
- 4. Confirm that all images are accurately stored within the Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS).

PROCEDURE

- 1. Receive orders from RIS (RadNet) and validate exam code.
- 2. Check HIS (Hospital Information System Bear Tracks[™]) or paper order/script to verify orders.
- 3. Start Exam in RIS (RadNet)
- 4. Conduct Rad Check. Rad Check is conducted by 2 staff members and documented prior to exam in RadNet under technical comments.
- 5. Perform exam
- 6. There is to be no "re-cropping of the image" to remove anatomy.
- 7. There is to be no annotating of a marker except in cases of positioning into a sterile field.
- 8. In the event a marker does not appear on a finished radiograph and the patient cannot be reimaged then a marker can be place after verifying the correct side using previous radiographs.
- 9. Process and archive images to PACS (Synapse[™]).



- 10. Verify exam in PACS (Synapse[™]) to include review of the accession number, MRN, Name, DOB, Number of images transmitted and required projections needed for the exam to complete.
- 11. Edit (if applicable) and complete exam in RIS (RadNet).
- 12. Reporting of equipment which is not operating properly or has failed operation requires the following follow-up.
 - Document by way of Service Repair ticket and attach to the collimator to indicate that the unit is out of service.
 - Out of service equipment which went offline due to exposure issues or x-ray tube replacement be resurveyed by a Physicist prior to going back on line and being used on the public.

Approved by:

Dorothy I Bulas, MD Division Chief, Diagnostic Imaging and Radiology 6/30/2021 Date

Laurie Hogan, MBA, CRA Director, Diagnostic Imaging and Radiology 6/30/2021 Date

Dates of review

Original: May 1, 2009 Reviewed: June 22, 2010 Revised: April 5, 2013 Revised: May 10, 2016 Reviewed: June 21, 2018 Revised: May 26, 2020 Revised: June 30, 2021