

Chapter: Radiology Services (RS)

Section 1: Radiology Services

Policy

Diagnostic radiology services are available to meet the needs of patients as determined by the integrated medical staff.

Procedure

1. Portable diagnostic x-ray and ultrasound services are provided through a contract with a service provider. A copy of the contract is kept in the hospital Business Office.
2. Unit clerks or RN's furnish the Clinics Manager with each unit's patient service requests.
 - 2.1. The Clinics Manager documents the requests and forwards them to the contractor.
 - 2.2. On weekdays after 1730, weekends and holidays the units fax the request to the contractor as well as to the Clinics Manager.
3. The contractor transcribes final reports and faxes them to the designated unit clerk within 24 hours of the time of the exam. The unit clerk is responsible for forwarding the reports to the treatment team.
4. All physicians who interpret tests are clinically-privileged by Utah State Hospital.
5. When a doctor orders a stat x-ray, the patient is taken directly to a local medical center.
 - 5.1. A copy of the outside consultation form is taken with the patient to the facility's radiology department.

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