(A) Policy Statement

Laser foot pedal placement for any laser surgery will follow established procedure

(B) Purpose of Policy

To decrease the chance of accidental pedal activation during a laser procedure.

(C) Procedure

1. The laser foot pedal will be operated only by the surgeon using the laser. The laser foot pedal will be identified verbally by the laser team member when placing it for use.

2. All other foot pedals will be verbally identified and placed in appropriate area to decrease confusion during laser procedures.

3. No foot pedal will be placed on or near liquids to minimize the chance of electrical hazards.

4. All foot pedal electrical wiring must be inspected by the laser team member before each use for fraying or breaks that could lead to electrical shock or fire.