


Name of Policy:	Discontinuing Radiation Treatments	
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Department:	Radiation Oncology	
Approving Officer:	Vice President & Executive Director	
Responsible Agent:	Technical Manager, Radiation Oncology	
Scope:	Radiation Oncology	
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(A) Policy Statement

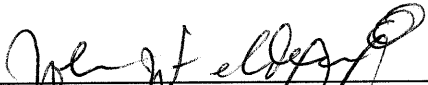
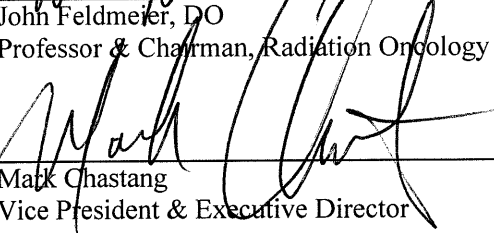
The Radiation Oncologist will be responsible for discontinuing radiation treatments.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To ensure appropriate care for patients undergoing radiation treatments.

(C) Procedure

1. If a physician or other individual (ie., R.N., Resident, Medical Student) calls to discontinue a patient's radiation treatments, transfer that call to a radiation oncologist.
2. If the radiation oncologist is not readily available:
 - a. Take a completed message: person calling, phone number, beeper number and reason for D/C treatments.
 - b. Give message to radiation oncologist at earliest convenience.
 - c. Radiation oncologist will advise technologist if treatments are to be discontinued as prescribed.
3. The technologist will indicate on the chart the date, time and disposition.

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