


Name of Policy:	Patient Education for Radiation Therapy	 THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO Effective Date: 9/1/2017 Initial Effective Date: 3/27/2001
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(A) Policy Statement

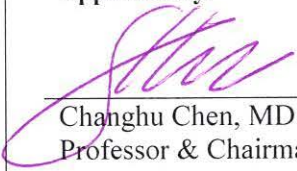

Patient education regarding radiation therapy will be provided to all patients undergoing radiation treatments.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To provide appropriate, site specific, information from staff for their radiation treatments.

(C) Procedure

1. Patients should wear loose, soft cotton clothing over the treated area or keep area open to air when possible.
2. Patients will be assessed of their educational needs prior to, during and at completion of their treatment by radiation staff.
3. All assessments will be documented in the patient's medical record.
4. Written materials will be given, as well as verbal instructions.
5. Arrangements will be made for patients who need language translations.

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