(A) Policy Statement

All patients must have approved portal images/CBCT/KV images before beginning a course of treatment.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To ensure accuracy in the defined treatment area and to minimize error and to provide radiographic documentation for each patient.

(C) Procedure

Per physician’s orders for imaging, these instructions are to be followed:

1. For any fraction > 5 Gy, the physician and physicist should be called (includes electron set-ups > 5 Gy/fraction, not just treatments utilizing CBCT)

2. For any photon treatment fraction > 5 Gy, a CBCT will be obtained. After the first scan is reviewed and approved, a second will be obtained to confirm alignment.

3. If possible, physics should remain at the console during the delivery of the entire high dose fraction (in case machine errors/issues arise mid-way DURING a high-dose fraction).