Name of Policy: Weekly chart checks by physics

**Policy Number**: 3364-134-80

**Department:** Radiation Oncology

Major revision of existing

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# (A) Policy Statement

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All patients under treatment will have weekly chart checks done by the physics staff.

### (B) Purpose of Policy

Per ASTRO standards regarding weekly chart checks by physics:

Per 3.6 A Qualified medical physicist performs periodic checks of:

#### 3.6.1

The accuracy of treatment delivery in relation to both the formal treatment prescription and plan at least every five treatment fractions.

### 3.6.2

The accuracy of treatment set up parameters in relation to both the formal treatment prescription and plan at least once every five treatment fractions.

## (C) Procedure

Once a week the charts of the patients who are under treatment are checked, by a qualified medical physicist. The items that are to be checked are:

- 1. Any ordered in-vivo dosimetry
- 2. SSD recorded
- 3. Patient specific plan verification
- 4. Field Size matches plan
- 5. Modifiers match plan
- 6. Delivered MU's match plan
- 7. Planning system calculation
- 8. Secondary Mu calculation



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Reaffirmation of existing policy

- 9. Recorded dose conforms to prescription
- 10. Prescription matches plan in record and verify system, dose changes/boosts are prepared/in progress.

The physicist performing the chart check will record the check in the record and verify system with a note initialing the continuing medical physics review was performed under the direct supervision of a staff medical physicist.

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