Name of Policy: Radiation Dose Review Committee

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| New policy proposal | Minor/technical revision of existing policy

(A) Policy statement

Major revision of existing policy

It is the policy of the University of Toledo Health Science Campus (HSC) UT Medical Center and the Department of Radiology that a Radiation Dose Review Committee will be appointed as defined below.

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Reaffirmation of existing policy

(B) Purpose of policy

To define the goals, objectives, composition, responsibilities, and duties of the Radiation Dose Review Committee.

(C) Scope

I) Description

The Radiation Dose Review committee is a coordinating body for quality assurance and performance improvement in regard to fluoroscopically guided interventional procedures and computed tomography (CT) procedures in support of the University of Toledo Medical Center.

2) Objectives

- a) Identify possible quality and patient safety improvement needs that will be reported to the Xray QA Committee.
- b) Evaluate ALARA performance of procedures, physicians, and technologists.
- c) Assure ALARA principles are maintained for all staff and patients with regards to fluoroscopically guided interventional procedures and computed tomography (CT) procedures in accordance with Ohio Department of Health Regulations.

3) Composition

The Radiation Dose Review Committee shall include at least the following members:

- a) The individual responsible for radiation protection (IRRP);
- b) A diagnostic radiation expert (CRE);
- c) As applicable, a physician that performs fluoroscopically guided interventional and/or computed tomography procedures; and
- d) As applicable, a technologist that performs fluoroscopically guided interventional and/or computed tomography procedures.

4) Quorum

A quorum of the Radiation Dose Review Committee shall meet as often as necessary to carry out its duties, but at least annually. To establish a quorum at least one half of the committee's membership must be present either in person or by telecommunication and must include the IRRP. A record of each meeting shall be maintained and include the following:

- a) The date of the meeting;
- b) An indication of members present; and
- c) A summary of meeting including any recommended actions.

5) Meetings

The meeting shall generally be conducted according to the principles of 'Robert's Rules of Order" and the Chairman shall use them as a guide at the request of any individual member.

6) Responsibilities and Duties

The Radiation Dose Review Committee fluoroscopically guided interventional procedures focus shall be to establish and implement written policies that include but are not limited to the following:

- a) Identification of individuals who are authorized to use fluoroscopic systems for interventional purpose;
- b) A method to be used to monitor patient radiation dose during fluoroscopically guided procedures;
- c) Dose notification levels, as appropriate, at which the physician is notified and appropriate actions are taken for safety;
- d) Substantial radiation dose level values following nationally recognized standards;
- e) Actions to be taken for cases when a substantial radiation dose level is exceeded which may include patient follow-up; and
- f) Reviewing polices identified in section 6(a) to (e) of this policy at least annually.

The Radiation Dose Review Committee computed tomography (CT) focus shall be to determine and review written protocols to improve image quality and minimize patient dose. The review shall include acquisition and reconstruction protocols, image quality, and radiation dose. At a minimum, the review shall include the following clinical protocols, if performed:

- a) Pediatric head;
- b) Pediatric abdomen;
- c) Adult head;
- d) Adult Abdomen;
- e) Adult chest; and

- f) Brain perfusion
- 7) Records required by chapters 3701:166 and 3701:137 of the Ohio Administrative Code shall be maintained.

(A) References

Chapter 3701:166 of the Ohio Administrative Code

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