

Patient Tattooing - Medical Directive

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Patient Description/Population

This procedure will be administered to patients undergoing a prescribed course of radiation therapy.

Order and/or Procedure

MRT(T) may tattoo patient at appropriate treatment site, as consistent with the RO orders for radiation treatment planning. The physician order for radiation therapy is electronically entered into the radiation oncology software as part of the Care Plan.

Indications to the Implementation of the Directive

The MRT(T) will implement this medical directive when there is an order for radiation therapy treatment. Reference marks to be tattooed will be identified within the radiation therapy guidelines or at the discretion of the MRT(T).

Contraindications to the Implementation of the Directive

The MRT(T) shall not perform this procedure if there is no patient consent, the patient has a known allergy to tattooing ink or the patient's skin is not intact.

Consent

MRT(T) to obtain verbal consent prior to the procedure.

Documentation Requirements

The MRT(T) will document patient set-up information as per the *Tattoo Referencing and Documentation Policy and Procedures*.

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Review/Evaluation Process

This medical directive will be reviewed every two years by the RO Sub Council.

References

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