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I. Policy

It is the policy of Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI) to abide by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) student supervision requirements.

II. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the established JRCERT requirements for student supervision in the clinical setting.

III. Scope

This policy applies to all SOMI students.

IV. Definitions

JRCERT: The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology.

V. Policy Details

The JRCERT defines **direct supervision** as student supervision by a qualified radiographer who:

- reviews the procedure in relation to the student's achievement,
- evaluates the condition of the patient in relation to the student's knowledge,
- is physically present during the conduct of the procedure, and
- reviews and approves the procedure and/or image.

Students must be **directly supervised until competency** is achieved. Once students have achieved competency, they may work under indirect supervision.

The JRCERT defines **indirect supervision** as student supervision provided by a qualified radiographer who is immediately available to assist students regardless of the level of student achievement.

Repeat images must be completed under direct supervision.

The presence of a qualified radiographer during the repeat of an unsatisfactory image assures patient safety and proper educational practices.

Students must be **directly supervised** during surgical and all mobile, including mobile fluoroscopy, procedures regardless of the level of competency.

Pediatric Policy

POLICY ON STUDENTS PERFORMING RADIOGRAPHIC EXAMINATIONS ON PEDIATRIC PATIENTS

1. First and second semester students may **NOT** perform any radiographic examination on patients under the age of eighteen (18) years without **DIRECT** supervision by a qualified radiographer or physician.
2. Third through fifth semester students may perform radiographic examinations on pediatric patients seven (7) years of age or older with **INDIRECT** supervision providing they have successfully completed the equivalent clinical competency (e.g., in order to do a foot series on a ten-year-old with indirect supervision, the student must first pass their clinical competencies in pediatric extremity and an adult foot series). The student **must** discuss the examination with a qualified radiographer or radiologist before bringing the patient into the exam room. The qualified radiographer or radiologist will decide whether or not to allow the student to perform the exam with indirect supervision.
3. Third through fifth semester students may only perform radiographic examinations on patients six (6) years of age or younger with **DIRECT** supervision, regardless of whether or not they have passed the same clinical competency.

VI. Attachments

N/A

VII. Related Policies

RAD 8.07 Radiation Safety

VIII. Disclaimers

Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI) and any party. SOMI, in its sole discretions, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.

IX. Version Control

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