
Diagnostic Services – Department of Radiology – Diagnostic Division

SUBJECT/TITLE: EDUCATION FOR PATIENTS RECEIVING IV CONTRAST

PURPOSE: To document the method to be used to assure that patient and families are provided with information regarding the injection of nonionic intravenous contrast media.

DEFINITION: None

POLICY:

All patients who are to receive an injection of nonionic contrast media via intravenous injection are provided with and asked to read an information sheet regarding the procedure, and the potential side-effects that they may experience.

PROCEDURE:

1. Radiology will provide each patient and/or family with the appropriate information.
2. Questions that may arise regarding the examination will be answered prior to, or at the time of the examination.
3. This policy requires that all patients receive the informational materials to aid patients in developing informed consent in the use of these drugs.