SUBJECT/TITLE: MRI SAFETY POLICY

PURPOSE: To identify MR safety guidelines for patients, MR personnel, and non-MR personnel and maintain MR safe environment.

DEFINITION: None

POLICY: The MR Division of the Department of Radiology will develop protocols to define MR safety practices.

PROCEDURE:

1. Policies will be reviewed/approved by MR Manager, MR director/s, and MR safety officer.
2. Policies will be reviewed at least every three years or if significant changes in technology or equipment occur.
3. Appoint a safety officer who is responsible for reviewing and implementing safety procedures in MRI.
4. Create written protocols for MR safety:
   - MR Zoning
   - MR safety practices
   - MR safety for MR and non-MR personnel
   - Screening of patients: see hospital policy on SCREENING PATIENTS FOR MRI PROCEDURES
   - Emergency situations in a MR environment
   - Reporting MR safety incidents