
Diagnostic Services – Department of Radiology – Diagnostic Division

SUBJECT/TITLE: MR ZONING POLICY

PURPOSE: To define access points/zones for patients and non-MR personnel in the MRI department to maintain patient and staff safety.

DEFINITION: None

POLICY: The MR Division of the Department of Radiology will develop MR zoning protocols.

PROCEDURE:

1. Divide the MRI department into a four zone concept to restrict access to the MRI scanners.
 - Zone 1: General Public-Green
 - Zone 2: Unscreened or screened MRI patients-Blue
 - Zone 3: Screened MRI patients and non-MR personnel under constant supervision of trained MR personnel-Yellow
 - Zone 4: Screened MRI patients under constant supervision of trained MR personnel-Red
2. See floor plan for zoning locations.
3. Signage is posted at entrance to scanner room that states the magnet is always on and identifies zone 4.
4. There is signage to identify zones 1, 2 and 3.