**XXXX Facility**

*MRI Medical Emergencies Policy for Portable MRI
(Point of Service scanners at less than 0.2T)*

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PURPOSE:** To be prepared to manage medical emergencies at all times at our MRI facility.

**PROCEDURE:**

1. A staff member is always present with Basic Life Support training.
2. Appropriate equipment and supplies to manage an emergency as well as to provide care for critical or high-risk patients is available.
3. Periodic Quality Control (QC) tests are performed on the Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Inventory checks are performed daily on the arrest cart (crash cart) as well as equipment for starting and maintaining intravenous access. In addition, inventory inspection is conducted for all oxygen tanks, wall mounted oxygen and the appropriate cannulae, masks and suction equipment for both adults and pediatric patients. This ensures that all equipment is available and properly functioning in an emergency.
4. All staff members are trained annually in the use of the emergency equipment described above.
5. In the event of an emergency involving the patient during the MRI exam:
	1. The patient is removed from the portable MRI scanner.
	2. Appropriate personnel are summoned to provide emergency care.
	3. The patient is escorted to the appropriate room where all our emergency and physiological monitoring equipment is secured.
	4. If the situation escalates 911 will be called.

All of our policies are reviewed and updated annually by the members of our Quality Improvement (QI) team.

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