

**SUNY DOWNSTATE MEDICAL CENTER
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL OF BROOKLYN
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

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Subject: INFORMED CONSENT

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T.J.C. Standards: RI. 01.03.01. The hospital's written policy identifies the specific care, treatment, and services that require informed consent, in accordance with law and regulation

RI.01.01.03 The hospital provides information in a manner tailored to the patient's age, language, and ability to understand

UP. 01.02.01 Implement a pre-procedure process to verify the correct procedure, for the correct patient, at the correct site.

Related Policies No.CONS-01 Consent Policy

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I. PURPOSE

To provide the patient with information relative to the risks and benefits of the proposed procedure and to allow the patient to make informed decision whether to undergo the procedure.

II. DEFINITION

None

III. POLICY

For all surgically invasive and diagnostic procedures, a written informed consent form must be obtained from the patient

All patients will be provided pertinent information regarding the proposed procedure so that they can make an informed decision the consent form should only be signed after the patient has been educated about the procedure.

Attending Radiologist, Radiology Residents, and Ordering/Referring physicians are responsible for obtaining consent.

IV. RESPONSIBILITIES

Radiology Staff /Emergency Room Staff, House Staff /Nursing

V. PROCEDURES /GUIDELINES

1. Patients 18 Years Old Or Older

- Patients must be capable of understanding that he/she is granting consent
- All patients 18 years & older must sign consent prior to starting the procedure

2. Mentally Challenged Patients Under 18 Years

Patient who is mentally challenged or must have consent granted by one of the following individuals:

- Health care agent
- Legally appointed guardian
- Spouse
- Adult child
- parent /guardian/ adult sibling

3. Exceptions to minor mentally challenged Individual signing consent

“Minor is Emancipated “

Minors are considered emancipated if the following conditions prevail:

Minor has a child
Minor is married
Minor is self-supporting

VI. OBTAINING CONSENT

Consent may be obtained by the Radiologist or Resident

Right To Refuse

- Patients have the right to refuse a procedure regardless if consent was previously granted.
- The resident or Radiology attending will contact the ordering physicians and informed them of the patient's refusal.

VII. ATTACHMENT

Consent to Diagnostic, Operative or Special Procedure

VIII. REFERENCE

Joint Commission Standard

<http://www.downstate.edu/regulatory/pdf/policies/SED-01AB.pdf>

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