

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

No: RAD -53

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**Subject:** INCIDENTS AND COMPLIANTS

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**T.J.C. Standards:** **EC.02.01.01:** The hospital manages safety and security risks.

**LD.04.01.01:** The hospital complies with law and regulation.

**PI.01.01.01:** The hospital collects data to monitor its performance hospital manages safety and security risks

**Related Policies No. (RM-1) Incident/ Reporting**

**Issued by:** Radiology Department

**I. PURPOSE**

To ensure that there is immediate management of an incident when required and that every incident is appropriately prioritized, investigated and managed

**II. DEFINITIONS**

**Incident:** An incident is an event or circumstance which could have, or did result in unintended or unnecessary harm to a person, and or a loss or damage to property.

1. For the purposes of this policy incidents and complaints shall be treated in the same manner. Both shall be referred to as **“incidents”**
2. Incidents are reported hospital-wide in accordance with UHB policy (RM-1 Incident Reporting)

**III. POLICY**

Incident and complaints will be reported, documented and maintain completeness of the records. All incidents will be processed, logged, investigated, and corrective action plans that are developed will be implemented

- All incidents must be referred to the supervisor of the division in which the incident occurred.

- The supervisor will investigate the circumstances surrounding the incident.

**IV. RESPONSIBILITIES**

Division supervisors Radiology Administrator

**V. PROCEDURES/GUIDELINES**

- Incident will be recorded on the incident reporting form by the supervisor of the division in which the incident occurred.
  - Department- wide or interdivisional incidents will be referred to the Radiology Administrator.
  - Incidents regarding Radiologists will be referred to the chair of the Radiology Department
- The patient’s name Medical Record number (MR#), location where the incident occurred, the names of all employees involved in the incident and name of the person reporting the incident must be documented in the report.
- The person filling the incident report will conduct a complete investigation of the incident
- The action taken and the result of the action must be documented in the report.
- The supervisor will send the completed Incident Report Form as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours to the Risk Management.
- The Department of risk management will review the report and finalize the closure of the file
- The department of Risk Management will maintain all incident reports in a database for reference as needed
- Incident reporting is confidential and will be used for Peer Review Purposes
- All incidents will be logged in the “Patient Incident LOG Book” located in each division
- All incidents will be reported to the Radiology Performance Improvement Committee and recorded in the monthly P.I. Report.

**VI. ATTACHMENT**

*Incident Report Form*

**VII. REFERENCE**

*Joint Commission Standard*

*UHB Policy (RM-1) Incident reporting <http://www.downstate.edu/regulatory/pdf/policies/RM-01.pdf>*

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