I. PURPOSE
To ensure appropriate use of positioning and or stabilizing devices when it is required to prevent retakes and improve film imaging quality.

DEFINITION
None

II. POLICY
Radiology Depart will use these devices appropriately to protect the patient and improve film quality.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES
Radiology Staff

IV. PROCEDURES /GUIDELINES
Appropriate devices will be used to protect the patient and improve film quality.

1. Table compression bands will be used to stabilize uncooperative patients as well as for examinations where compression is required.

2. Positioning devices and sand bags will be available for use as stabilizing devices.
3. Special positioning devices are available for pediatric patients and will be used when necessary to ensure a diagnostic image is obtained and avoid any additional exposure to the patient.

4. All efforts will be made to ensure the safety and comfort of patients.

V. ATTACHMENTS
None

VI. REASON FOR REVISION
Review

VIII. REFERENCES
- Joint Commission Standards
- UHB Policy RAD-6 Radiology Patient Safety
- RST-01 Restraint for Medical/Surgical (Non-behavioral/Non-violent) Management

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