Medical Imaging Clinical Practice 1

Information for Clinical Supervisors

**Clinical placement periods:**

Block 1 (CP1A): Monday 4th July – Friday 22nd July

Block 2(CP1B): Monday 28th November – Friday 16th December

**Performance expectation guidelines:**

During Medical Imaging Clinical Practice 1, the students are encouraged to attempt all examinations on patients that they have studied during Medical Imaging Studies 1. This includes the upper and lower extremity, chest (including ribs and sternum), abdomen, shoulder and pelvic girdles.

Please note: For their second block the students will also be encouraged to attempt imaging of the spine and skull after having covered those regions in Medical Imaging Studies 2 before their attendance.

The students are encouraged to observe procedures in specialised modalities and environments including mobiles, theatre, CT, MRI, Ultrasound and interventional if general examinations are not available and it is deemed appropriate.

**Clinical Reports:**

A formative report is required at the completion of the first placement block (CP1A) and the summative clinical report should be completed at the end of the second (CP1B). These should be filled out by the designated Clinical Supervisor of the department in collaboration with the mentors involved with that student during their placement

**The primary student:**

• Has some experience in basic examinations.

• Requires close supervision of all examinations.

• Expected to examine less complex patients.

**Common observed or noted characteristics:**

• Basic communication skills with patients, staff and significant others.

• Basic positioning skills and tentative with exposure setting.

• Having some difficulty focussing on patient care and technical aspects simultaneously.

• Extra time required to complete tasks.

• Reflects and discusses ways to improve their clinical practice.

• Low levels of confidence in radiographic environment.

• Understands the clinical department structure.

**Additional notes:**

* The students are required to **complete 6 competencies** during this course
* The student is not able to complete a specific clinical competency assessment until the practice table is complete.
* The competency assessment cannot be recorded as one of the signed off examinations in the practice table.
* For observations all lines in the table and the associated reflection, where required, must be completed.

**Expectation of students:**

There is the expectation that students will exhibit safe practice and duty of care and professional and ethical behaviour according to the Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia Code of Conduct and Ethics as well as the University of South Australia Clinical Policies.

**If a student is deemed unsafe or unprofessional at any time during clinical practice, they may be removed from the clinical department subject to a review. This will be undertaken to assess their suitability to participate in clinical practice. Please contact me as the clinical coordinator immediately if you have a concern of this nature.**

**Safe Practice and Duty of Care:**

Safe practice will be evidenced by, but not limited to, the student who at all times demonstrates:

• An awareness of manual handling principles in patient and staff safety

• The safe application of all equipment

• Responsibility for patient and personal safety

• Application of the ALARA principle

• An awareness of radiation protection practices for patients, staff and others

• Behaviours that do not put other persons in the workplace at any risk

• Appropriate infection control practices.

**Professional and Ethical Conduct:**

Professional and ethical conduct is evidenced by, but not limited to, the student who always:

* Wears the student identification badge.
* Wears a current ‘Luxel’ in accordance with the UniSA Medical Radiation ‘Luxel’ policy
* Being punctual in accordance with the Medical Radiation attendance policy
* Maintains confidentiality of clinical site, staff and patient information.
* Maintains personal hygiene and dress as stated in the UniSA Medical Radiation Uniform policy
* Behaves in a professional manner to colleagues, supervisors, patients and their families.

**If you have any queries or concerns please contact me via the details below:**

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