

SPECIMEN IR(ME)R 2000 PROCEDURE

PROCEDURE FOR CLINICAL EVALUATION AND RECORDING OF
MEDICAL EXPOSURES (IR00SC10a)

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Employer:NHS Trust

Establishment:Hospital/Clinic

Department:

Purpose

To ensure that every medical exposure is clinically evaluated and recorded.

Scope

All Dental practices involving ionising radiation

Responsibility

Practitioners should record that clinical evaluation has taken place, or ensure, in the case of films leaving the department before evaluation, that the recipient of the films is aware of that fact and also of their responsibility that such an evaluation must be undertaken by them and recorded.

Procedure

1. Practitioners/operators must not justify or authorise a medical exposure if it is known that clinical evaluation will not take place.
2. The operator must record sufficient information, for each examination, to enable an estimation of patient dose at some future date, e.g. kV, mAs, FFD, Screening time, views taken.
3. The X-ray view taken must be documented in the patient record.
4. A practitioner or other qualified person authorised by the employer must undertake an evaluate the outcome of each medical exposure. The evaluation should include details of diagnostic findings and should be documented in the patient record, with an authorised signature.

Referrer/Practitioner	Evaluator	Method
Referrer and Practitioner different but both employed by Trust	Referrer	Report diagnostic findings and document in patient record
Referrer and Practitioner different and referrer not employed by Trust	Practitioner	Report diagnostic findings and document on referral form or instruct referrer to evaluate and document the outcome

