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Equipment standards - freestanding radiation therapy centers.

- (A) Each freestanding radiation therapy center shall have the necessary equipment to provide services with accuracy, precision, and efficiency. Each freestanding radiation therapy center shall:
- (1) ~~Each center shall provide~~Provide, either on-site or by referral, for diagnostic services including computerized tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), fluoroscopy, nuclear medicine, and clinical and surgical pathology; and
 - (2) ~~Each freestanding radiation therapy center shall document~~Document arrangements for referrals to one or more other radiation therapy sites so that the patients will have access to a broad spectrum of radiation therapy equipment and a variety of treatment modalities including at least brachytherapy and a unit of radiation therapy equipment providing photons of at least ten megavolts (MV) and electron energies to at least twelve megaelectron volts (MeV).
- (B) Each freestanding radiation therapy center shall develop and implement a program to monitor the calibration and measurement of radiation beam characteristics to assure accurate and reliable delivery of ionizing radiations. Calibration and operation of radiation therapy equipment shall be in accordance with the radiation requirements specified in rules ~~3701:1-66-14~~ 3701:1-67-05 and ~~3701:1-66-15~~ 3701:1-67-06 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) Each freestanding radiation therapy center shall develop and implement a preventive maintenance and repair program for equipment in accordance with manufacturer's specifications. The center shall maintain records of equipment performance, maintenance and malfunctions for the lifetime of the equipment's use at the center.
- (D) Each freestanding radiation therapy center that operates a linear accelerator, cobalt radiation therapy unit, or gamma knife shall comply with the applicable provisions of section 3702.11 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted pursuant to that section.
- (E) Each freestanding radiation therapy center shall maintain emergency equipment and medications appropriate for the services provided.