Name of Policy: Review of pathology slides from outside facilities

Policy Number: 3364-87-30

Approving Officer: Chief of Staff Chief Medical Officer

Responsible Agent: Chief Medical Officer

Scope: All University of Toledo Campuses

New policy proposal

X Minor/technical revision of existing policy

## (A) Policy statement

Major revision of existing policy

It is the policy of the University of Toledo Medical Center and its Medical Staff that all relevant pathology slides from outside facilities be reviewed by UTMC Pathologists on all patients receiving care at UTMC.

Reaffirmation of existing policy

## (B) Purpose of policy

- 1) To provide the patients and physicians with our pathologists' diagnosis as "second opinion" before major surgery or treatment.
- 2) To compare with any additional slides/specimens obtained during patient care at UTMC with outside pathology material. This will assist with the proper management and monitoring of patient's course and prognosis.
- 3) To expedite release of tissue for patients in clinical trials/studies.

## (C) Procedure

- 1) The treating physician should request clinically relevant pathology slides from non-UTMC facilities. This request should be made by treating physician personnel in a timely fashion (typically 2-3 weeks) so that slides are received at our anatomic pathology department and reviewed before the scheduled UTMC procedure. If the treating physician's personnel needs assistance, please contact UTMC Anatomic Pathology at 419-383-3482.
- 2) The Department of Pathology will monitor compliance with this policy and issues identified will be submitted to the Procedural Case Review Committee for further evaluation and follow up.
- 3) It is the responsibility of each primary physician to ensure that the outside slides on patients receiving care at UTMC be submitted to UTMC Pathologists for review.

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