


Name of Policy: <u>Barium Enemas Following Colonoscopy and/or Biopsy</u> Policy Number: 3364-135-008 Department: Radiology Approving Officer: Chief Operating Officer - UTMC Responsible Agent: Chairman & Professor, Radiology Scope: Radiology	 Effective Date: 10/1/2021 Initial Effective Date: 12/10/1982
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(A) Policy Statement

A barium enema immediately following a colonoscopy (including sigmoido-scopy) will be done only after the fluoroscopist is satisfied that the patient’s colon is satisfactorily prepared. If a biopsy procedure was included as part of the colonoscopy, there will be a ten (10) day minimum delay before the barium enema procedure is performed. The colonoscopist will contact the radiologist to review the biopsy procedure done.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To ensure patient safety as well as proper preparation of the patient prior to a barium enema procedure.

(C) Procedure

1. If a biopsy was not required, the fluoroscopist will determine the acceptability of the bowel preparation via either scout radiograph or fluoroscopic review.
2. If a biopsy was done as part of the colonoscopy examination, the colonoscopist will contact the radiologist to review the case and schedule the barium enema procedure at least ten (10) days following the biopsy procedure.

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