**Procedure for Suspected Child Abuse Imaging “Trauma X**

**GUIDELINES:**

- Every effort should be made to request studies only during normal weekday business hours between **8 AM** and **5 PM**.
- Parents may **NOT** accompany their child and/or provide restraint during a skeletal survey.
- Following completion of the study, the technologist will attempt to notify Dr Sargent or Dr Vaccaro. If neither are available, they will attempt to contact an MSK Radiologist. If an MSK Radiologist is not available, the technologist will contact one of the other Radiologists to determine that the study is technically satisfactory and additional images are not required at that time.

If patient care will not be delayed, the final interpretation of these studies will be done by Pediatric Radiology at first availability. The reviewing Staff Radiologist however may issue either a wet or final read on the study.

**IMAGES to be obtained (low noise technique):**

- AP, WATERS, TOWNE AND LATERAL SKULL
- AP C-SPINE
- AP, RPO, LPO AND LATERAL CHEST/THORAX (RIB TECHNIQUE)
- AP ABDOMEN/PELVIS IN FROG LEG POSITION (BONE TECHNIQUE)
- PA HAND AND WRISTS (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- AP FOREARMS (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- AP HUMERI (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- AP FEMURS (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- AP LOWER LEGS (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- AP FEET (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- LATERAL FOREARMS (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- LATERAL KNEES (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- LATERAL ANKLES (EACH SIDE DONE SEPARATELY)
- LAT C-SPINE
- LAT THORASIC SPINE
- LAT LUMBOSACRAL SPINE

**skull images, lateral spine images and AP abdomen/pelvis will not be performed on follow up study.**

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