

TREATMENT OF MINORS

Non-emergency medical services may not be given to any unaccompanied minors without the consent of a legally authorized parent who has custody of the child or a person who has legal authority to sign for the minor child. Minors are defined as person(s) under the age of 18. Non-emergency medical services are described as diagnostic x-rays or procedures which have been ordered by a referring physician.

If an unaccompanied minor presents for services, a parent or legal guardian should be called by a member of the Iowa Radiology staff. The parent or guardian should be asked if they have the legal authority to give consent for the services to be performed on the minor. An additional staff person from Iowa Diagnostic Imaging and Procedure Center should be part of the phone conversation to witness whether the consent is given or declined. This conversation should be documented and retained in the patient’s medical record.

Medical treatment or services may be given to minors without consent of a legally authorized parent who has custody of the child or a legally appointed guardian only in emergency situations. In these situations, a member of management from the Iowa Diagnostic Imaging and Procedure Center should contact the ordering physician to confirm the services are of an emergent nature. A representative from Iowa Radiology should also contact the ordering physician with the medical findings of the services performed.

Date _____

I, _____, called _____

the legal parent or guardian for _____ DOB _____
minor child presenting for radiology services at Iowa Radiology.

A verbal consent was given by said legal guardian for the following procedures:

Procedures _____ Date _____

Witness _____ Date _____