

NSHA DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING PROGRAM AMBULATORY BOOKING PROCEDURES April 21, 2020

In accordance with NSHA policy, Diagnostic Imaging Departments are currently providing imaging services ONLY for time sensitive examinations. This includes all cancer related imaging, and imaging that supports patients seen in hospital clinics. All other examinations will be booked when we are back to normal functioning.

Such urgent imaging examinations are readily available in a timely way upon individual DIRECT VERBAL REQUEST by the referring physician or delegate to our Departments. If the patient is unstable, this request would usually come from the Emergency Department.

All non-urgent requests cannot be accommodated at this time. This includes patient walk ins, and patient telephone requests.

It is essential that the COVID status of each patient be known and communicated to our staff such that appropriate procedures can be followed. All confirmed positive or screened positive COVID patients should be masked upon entry to our departments. If pre entry masks are not available, masking will occur either upon entry to our facilities or to our Departments, depending on local policy.