Double Identification Lab Guidelines

Required for all "Mock" lab assessments & Lab Midterm & Lab Final

It is a requirement to double id all patients. Patient Double id must occur **INSIDE** the exam room.

These 5 categories must be communicated to all patients **BEFORE** the first exposure:

Category	Rules	Required Question Examples
1. Patient	Must use open ended questions	• Please spell your first & last name • What is your date of birth?
2. Pregnancy	Must ask any female patients between the ages of **11-55**	• When was the **1st day** of your last menstrual period? • Any chance of pregnancy?
3. Verify exam	Must confirm what is ordered on the requisition with the patient	• What are we taking pictures of today? • Are the x-rays for your right or left side?
4. *Artifacts	Must be specific when informing patients how to remove any items that could impact the diagnostic quality of their radiographs	• Please remove any objects, such as metal you may have on over the area that will be imaged. *(This includes clothing)*
5. Gowning	Must provide patients with instructions for donning hospital/clinic approved attire	• Please put this on, opens to the back • There's also a housecoat that you can wear, opens to the front

**Artifact example when a pt. requires a shoulder x-ray:*

- *Please remove everything from your waist to your neck. Including your bra, any necklaces, piercings, hair clips, and/or long earrings.*

**Artifact example when a pt. requires a hand x-ray:*

- *Please remove everything from your hand, including any rings, bracelets or watches, and roll your sleeve up to your elbow.*

During your lab midterm and lab final:

- There will be a duplicate copy of the requisition you randomly select
  - This duplicate is for your "patient"
- The selected requisition must be used as a reference for patient double id. This will enable:
  - The technologist to confirm the patients answers
  - The patient to answer the questions asked

To earn full marks, when double id-ing consider the following category notes:

1. Patient:
   a. First and last name must be spelt by the patient
   b. D.O.B. must be stated by the patient
      i. *the patient can simply reply with the same format as the requisition (ex. "**22/01/1999**" - stating the month was January is not required).
2. Pregnancy:
   a. Must ask any female patient between the ages of 11-55 (ages and genders clearly listed on each requisition) if there's any chance of pregnancy
      i. Patients should always answer: **No**
   b. Must ask **1st** day of LMP (last menstrual period)
      i. Patients should always answer: **10 days ago**
3. Verify Exam:
   a. Must ask patients to confirm the body part that needs to be imaged
      i. Patients should answer based on what is listed on the duplicate copy of the requisition (ex. my hand)
   b. Must ask patients which anatomical side should be imaged, when applicable
      i. Patients should answer with "Right" or "Left" based on what is listed on the duplicate copy of the requisition
4. Artifacts:
   a. Must tell the patient specific articles of clothing that must be removed (ex. Bra) to earn full marks
      i. Patients should just say: okay (you are not required to change during lab)
         - Note: real patients are nervous and forgetful. If technologists do not provide specific instructions patients will leave their bra, piercings, and other artifacts on
5. Gowning:
   a. Must tell the patient to put on gown with opening (aka. ties) to the back
   b. Must offer the housecoat that opens to the front
      i. Patients should just say: okay (you are not required to change during lab)