

Revision to Communique

"URGENT" X-ray Requests

November 29th, 2022

This information applies to: Physicians & Nurse Practitioners

Revisions in RED.

Effective December 12th. Please fax all **URGENT** and **SEMI-URGENT x-ray** requisitions to the QEH Diagnostic Imaging department at **902-894-2276**. The Diagnostic Imaging reception staff will book the x-ray appointment and contact patients within 24 to 48 hours.

Patients for "STAT" x-rays may be sent directly over to the Diagnostic Imaging Department, only if they meet the following criteria:

- R/O fracture (injury occurred < 3 weeks ago)
- Chest pain/Acute SOB
- R/O cancer/metastasis

The requisition must be marked "STAT". If the patients do not meet the criteria, they will be given an appointment and sent home.

For **ROUTINE** patient exams, please send **the requisition with the patient**. Instruct them to book an appointment by calling the department or booking on-line through "Skip The Waiting Room".

Expected Wait Times for x-ray at **QEH**:

Urgent < 3 days

Semi-urgent < 7 days

Routine 2-3 weeks

As an option, routine x-ray appointments can be scheduled within 1-5 days at the other PEI facilities.

This communique can be found on the **Provincial Diagnostic Imaging Website**: www.src.healthpei.ca/diagnostic-imaging **For more information, contact:**

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