

Procedure for billing CT/MRI

OP/IP patients- (OP/IP cases of CMC)- Including CMCHIS cases

Request slip with clear indication / CMCHIS approved from for scheme patients

Patient/ attender reaches TNMSC billing counter at 5 – NEW BLOCK GROUND FLOOR

Billed in the TNMSC billing software by TNMSC DEO/Technician in their respective TNMSC Login ID

Billing done with all necessary details of the patient including the phone number

2 bill copies (Printed) generated and given to the patient/attender

1 copy to the patient/attender

1 copy attached with the request slip (Referral slip) to be handed over to the C/MRI technician

Separate bill for each study

CMCHIS/Free/IKT cases -Bill generated with **0 amount**

Report turn-around time

CT scan

OP cases - Taken form 8 am to 2 pm / 8 pm - Report with film on the next day at 3 pm

IP cases - Taken form 8 am to 8 am - Report with film on the next day at 3 pm

TAEI cases – Taken 24x7 – Film in 1 hour – Report in 6 hours

For critical cases – immediate oral report, written provisional report in three hours

Note:

Reports can sometimes get delayed –

If the radiologist

1. Needs additional history
2. If the images have some artefact – so that the scan needs repletion
3. If contract study is needed
4. Additional views are needed (Eg., Prone view /Expiratory /Inspiratory view etc.)

5. If the radiologist needs an ultrasound correlation

MRI scan:

OP cases: Taken from 7 am to 7pm – report with film on next day at 3 pm

IP cases: Taken from 7 am to 7pm – Report with film on next day at 3 pm

Emergency IP cases: Provisional report based on request by treating doctor – Report within 3 hrs

Reports can sometimes get delayed –

If the radiologist

1. Needs additional history
2. If the images have some artefact – so that the scan needs to be repeated
3. If contrast study is needed
4. Additional sequences are needed (Eg., Prone view /Expiratory /Inspiratory view etc.)
5. If the radiologist needs an ultrasound correlation

Ultrasound scan: Average time taken for reporting after examining/imaging the patients

Abdomen and pelvis : 10 mins

Obstetrics T1/T3 : 15 mins

Anomaly scan : 30 mins

Doppler : 60 – 90 mins

Mammogram/thyroid : 60 mins

Other special scans : 90- 120 mins

Elastography : 6 hrs

X ray Mammogram : 24 hrs

X ray special procedure : 24 hrs

Report collection Procedure:

CT /MRI cases OP/IP/CMCHIS cases : At despatch counter from 3 pm -5 pm

TAEI cases (after 5pm) : At TAEI CT room

Reports will be despatched to the patient/ attender with the bill copy

Received signature and phone number of receiving person to be obtained in the despatch register

Report and film despatched Seal and signature kept on the bill copy of the patient

Reports not received by patient/attender even after 7 days: Copy of reports to be sent by TNMSC DEO in charge in reporting module of TNMSC - Patient can download the reports via TNMSC link generated during the billing

Films not received by patient/attender even after 7 days: to be stored for 2 years

If patient/ attender claims the films after 7 days: request letter obtained in the patient

Films to be provided within next 3 days

Scan Appointment/Fixing procedure:

OP Ultrasound cases : Fixed serially with 30 per day

IP ultrasound : Daily – No fixing

OP MRI : Fixed serially with 10 per day

IP MRI : Daily – No fixing

Scheme MRI : Next day of scheme approval – No fixing

OP CT : Fixed serially with 30 per day

IP CT : Fixed for next day with preparation and creatinine levels

X ray Contrast : Fixed for next day on the receipt of request

Emergency cases - No fixing

Mammogram : Daily

Department profile

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TNMSC In charge – appointed by TNMSC

Professor and Head of the department

CXRT

Associate Professor

Radiographer /DRA

Assistant Professor /Senior Resident

Post Graduates /B Sc, DRDT students/CRRl

