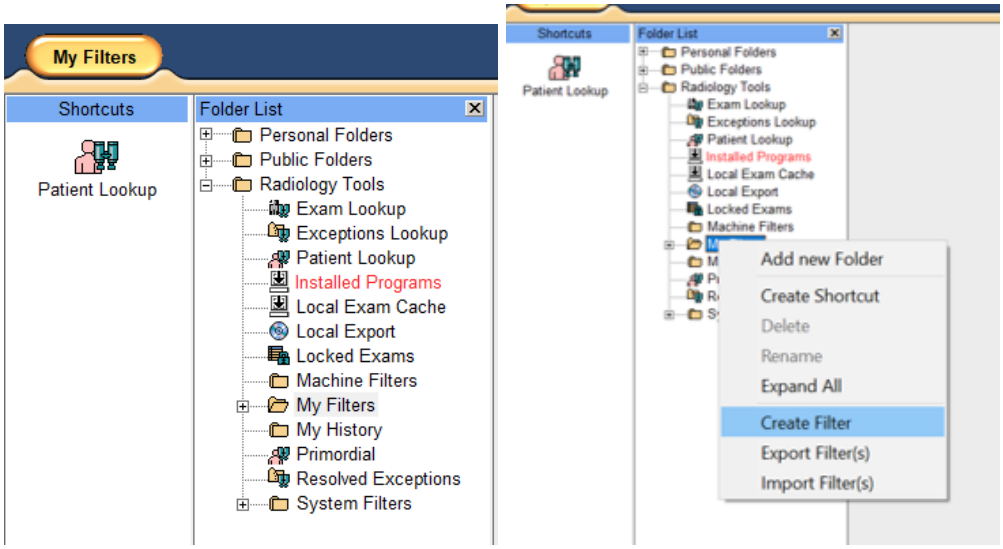
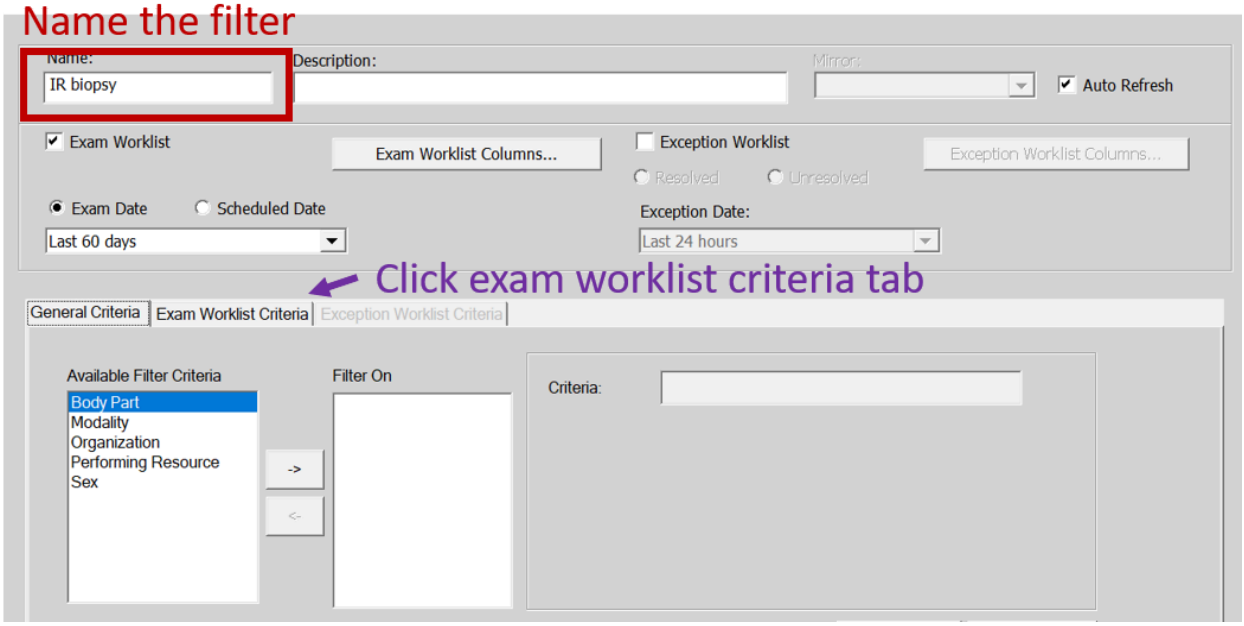
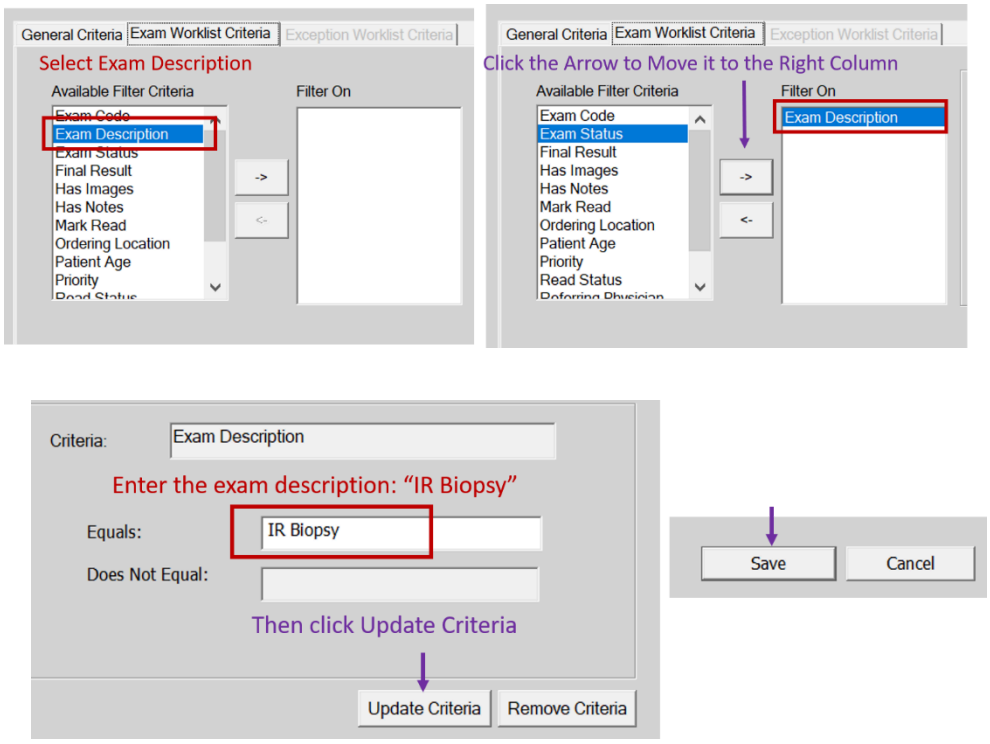
Biopsy Workflow

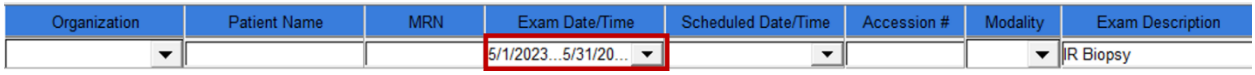
1. Biopsy conference covers all of the biopsies from the prior month. For example, the June biopsy conference would cover dates 5/1/2023 to 5/31/2023
2. Divide the month evenly between the rotating residents, e.g., if there are PGY 2, PGY 3 and PG4 residents, it could be divided as follows:
    a. PGY 2: 5/1/2023 to 5/10/2023
    b. PGY 3: 5/11/2023 to 5/20/2023
    c. PGY 4: 5/21/2023 to 5/31/2023
3. Make a filter to capture all of the biopsies from the prior month. Below is the method for iSite. You can also do this in Powerscribe/Nuance if you prefer.







4. Now select your new filter and Select "Custom" under the Exam Date and Time at the top of the list.



5. Copy down the MRN for each case and look at the report to see what was biopsied, and if there were any complications
6. Sort each biopsy into the appropriate category on the spreadsheet and list the site of biopsy
7. Look up the pathology report and record a summary. If a benign or malignant tumor is reported, try to include what type is favored. If a "nondiagnostic" then try to report what the pathologist actually saw. (e.g., "lung parenchyma with inflammation and granulomas" rather than "nondiagnostic").
8. Assign each biopsy result "adequate" or "inadequate" designation (parenchymal biopsies) or "benign" or "malignant" designation (targeted lesion biopsies). This can be difficult at times, but do your best.

MRN	Site	Result (benign/malignant)	Pathology Summary
xxxxxxx	left lobe mass	malignant	poorly-differentiated HCC
yyyyyy	left lobe mass	benign	benign liver epithelium and hemangioma
zzzzzzz	right lobe mass	malignant	metatstatic colorectal carcinoma

9. Combine the efforts of each resident into a single excel sheet through the magic of copy and paste.
10. Email the completed spreadsheet to the attending supervising the biopsy conference by the weekend before the conference. The attending will review the spreadsheet and highlight the cases of possible discrepancy for review in the biopsy conference.