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Dear Dr. Lodi,

This morning there was a meeting which included Jeffrey Rudikoff, Radiation Safety Officer; Joyce Marcinek, Chief Technologist Nuclear Medicine; the three other Nuclear Medicine Technologists; Mike Bohan, Yale Physicist; Jim Piccone, Yale Chief Dosemetrist; Stu Korchan, Backus Hospital Physics Consultant and Ted Lombardo, Backus Hospital Radiology Manager. This took place in the Nuclear Medicine Department.

Every step in the seed handling process that occurs in Nuclear Medicine was performed. All necessary equipment was utilized. The responsibilities of each individual, as outlined in our policies and procedures, were clearly delineated.

I have spoken with the personnel involved. The Backus Hospital Nuclear Medicine Technologists understand their responsibilities and are comfortable performing them.

In addition I have been interviewing those persons who will be involved in the I- 125 Brachytherapy program. This includes the Yale Physicist, Yale Dosimetrist, the Brachytherapy Safety Nurse Coordinator in the operating room and the Nuclear Medicine Technologists. I am satisfied that this core group of personnel is sufficiently knowledgeable for this program to be reinstated.

Thank you for your helpful insight over the past several months.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey C. Rudikoff, M.D.
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