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RE: Request for Comment Patient Release Program (NRC-2017-0094)

Dear Ms. Bladey:

We are NRC license 21-03210-01 of St. John Hospital and Medical Center, 22101 Moross Rd, Detroit, MI and we wish to comment on the patient release program. We believe changes to the rules will be costly for our facility with extended hospital stays, make difficult for us to accommodate patients with isolation and increase anxiety and make it extremely inconvenient to patients and staff. We believe that no regulatory changes to the NRCs patient release requirement are warranted. We agree with the AAPM comments in support of no change to the NRC patient release program.

If you have any questions regarding details on my comments, please email me at laura.smith7@ascension.org

Thank you,

Laura T. Smith, MS, DABR
Radiation Safety Officer

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