



ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

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Misadministration  
(CF Available)

July 9, 1981



Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III  
Radioisotopes Licensing Branch  
799 Roosevelt Road  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Gentlemen:

In compliance with 10 CFR 35.43, we hereby report the following diagnostic misadministration occurring under our byproduct license #48-10966-03, Marshfield Clinic, St. Joseph's Hospital, Marshfield Medical Foundation license.

This report is a copy of the report in our file with the patient's name and technologist's name omitted. The patient was informed at the time of the scan and his referring physician was informed that day.

The complete report is on file in the Radiation Safety Office.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lois J. Rutz, M.S.  
Radiation Safety Officer

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Misadministration of Diagnostic Dose of Radiopharmaceutical

June 22, 1981

- A. Patient's name and Social Security number:
- B. Name of all individuals involved in the event:
- C. Brief Description of what happened:

Dr.            requested liver scan to aid in evaluation of a patient with carcinoma of the prostate. When the request was transposed from the order sheet to the Nuclear Medicine request sheet, an error occurred and brain scan was requested. The patient was therefore injected with technetium-DTPA to perform the brain scan. A dose of 19.9 mCi being administered. Upon further review, it became apparent that a liver scan was desired.

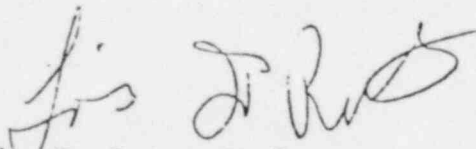
- D. The effect on the patient:

No adverse effect.

- E. Referring physician's name:

- F. Action taken to remedy problem:

Nuclear Medicine technologists are now double-checking all scan orders prior to injection.



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Radiation Safety Officer

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Veterans  
Administration

September 18, 1981

Director, Nuclear Medicine (115)  
Veterans Administration Central Office  
Washington, DC 20420



SUBJ: Report to NRC Regional Office Regarding a Diagnostic Misadministration

1. Please find enclosed our report to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regional Office which is due October 10, 1981, regarding a diagnostic misadministration which occurred in our Nuclear Medicine Service on August 21, 1981.
2. Please forward this report to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region-III Office, in the enclosed envelope.

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Hospital Director

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