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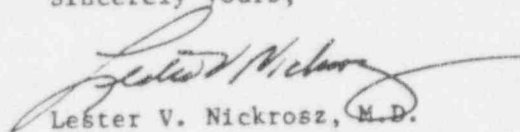
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To Whom It May Concern:

Dr. A.P. Carriere's office scheduled a patient for an outpatient bone scan for May 3, 1983. The patient was injected after the study was determined by the technologist to be appropriate. Prior to the patient's scheduled return time for imaging, Dr. Carriere canceled the scan, stating that he had instructed his staff to schedule an arthrogram, not a bone scan.

There are not anticipated ill effects on the patient. A letter has been sent to Dr. Carriere informing him that the event constituted a misadministration and would be reported to your agency. To prevent recurrence, Dr. Carriere has been asked to stress to his staff the importance of scheduling the correct study since our appropriateness screening of tests prior to injection of radiopharmaceuticals may not, as in this case, catch all scheduling errors.

Sincerely yours,



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