NRC FORM 313M (9-81) 10 CFR 35	U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION APPLICATION FOR MATERIALS LICENSE – MEDICAL	Approved by OMB 3150-0041 Expires 9-30-86

INSTRUCTIONS – *Complete Items 1 through 26 if this is an initial application or an application for renewal of a license. Use supplemental sheets where necessary. Item 26 must be completed on all applications and signed. Retain one copy. Submit original and one copy of entire application to: Director, Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555. Upon approval of this application, the applicant will receive a Materials License. An NRC Materials License is issued in accordance with the general requirements contained in Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 30, and the Licensee is subject to Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 19, 20 and 35 and the license fee provision of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 170. The license fee category should be stated in Item 26 and the appropriate fee enclosed.*

1.a. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT *(institution, firm, clinic, physician, etc.)* INCLUDE ZIP CODE

Wells Community Hospital
1100 South Main Street
Bluffton, IN 46714

TELEPHONE NO.: AREA CODE (219) 824 - 3210

1.b. STREET ADDRESS(ES) AT WHICH RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL WILL BE USED *(If different from 1.a.)* INCLUDE ZIP CODE

Same and: Adams County Memorial Hospital
805 High Street
Decatur, IN 46733

2. PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING THIS APPLICATION

Standard Nuclear Consultants, Ltd.
1 S 016 Donny Hill Road
Elburn, IL 60119
TELEPHONE NO.: AREA CODE (312) 365 - 5858

3. THIS IS AN APPLICATION FOR: *(Check appropriate item)*

a. ☐ NEW LICENSE
b. ☐ AMENDMENT TO LICENSE NO. _____
c. ☒ RENEWAL OF LICENSE NO. 13-17115-02

4. INDIVIDUAL USERS *(Name individuals who will use or directly supervise use of radioactive material. Complete Supplements A and B for each individual.)*

Alan S. Cooperman, D.O
Edward C. Weber, D.O.
Steve Hossler, M.D.

5. RADIATION SAFETY OFFICER (RSO) *(Name of person designated as radiation safety officer. If other than individual user, complete resume of training and experience as in Supplement A.)*

Alan S. Cooperman, D.O.

6.a. RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL FOR MEDICAL USE

RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL LISTED IN:	ITEMS DESIRED "X"	MAXIMUM POSSESSION LIMITS *(In millicuries)*
10 CFR 31.11 FOR IN VITRO STUDIES		
10 CFR 35.100, SCHEDULE A, GROUP I	X	AS NEEDED
10 CFR 35.100, SCHEDULE A, GROUP II	X	AS NEEDED
10 CFR 35.100, SCHEDULE A, GROUP III	X	3000 mCi
10 CFR 35.100, SCHEDULE A, GROUP IV		AS NEEDED
10 CFR 35.100, SCHEDULE A, GROUP V		AS NEEDED
10 CFR 35.100, SCHEDULE A, GROUP VI		

ADDITIONAL ITEMS:	MARK ITEMS DESIRED "X"	MAXIMUM POSSESSION LIMITS *(In millicuries)*
IODINE-131 AS IODIDE FOR TREATMENT OF HYPERTHYROIDISM		
PHOSPHORUS-32 AS SOLUBLE PHOSPHATE FOR TREATMENT OF POLYCYTHEMIA VERA, LEUKEMIA AND BONE METASTASES		
PHOSPHORUS-32 AS COLLOIDAL CHROMIC PHOSPHATE FOR INTRACAVITARY TREATMENT OF MALIGNANT EFFUSIONS.		
GOLD-198 AS COLLOID FOR INTRACAVITARY TREATMENT OF MALIGNANT EFFUSIONS.		
IODINE-131 AS IODIDE FOR TREATMENT OF THYROID CARCINOMA		
XENON-133 AS GAS OR GAS IN SALINE FOR BLOOD FLOW STUDIES AND PULMONARY FUNCTION STUDIES.		

6.b. RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL FOR USES NOT LISTED IN ITEM 6.a. *(Sealed sources up to 3 mCi used for calibration and reference standards are authorized under Section 35.14(d), 10 CFR Part 35, and NEED NOT BE LISTED.)*

ELEMENT AND MASS NUMBER	CHEMICAL AND/OR PHYSICAL FORM	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF MILLICURIES OF EACH FORM	DESCRIBE PURPOSE OF USE
N/A			

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INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ITEMS 7 THROUGH 23

For Items 7 through 23, check the appropriate box(es) and submit a detailed description of all the requested information. Begin each item on a separate sheet. Identify the item number and the date of the application in the lower right corner of each page. If you indicate that an appendix to the medical licensing guide will be followed, do not submit the pages, but specify the revision number and date of the referenced guide: Regulatory Guide 10.8 , Rev. 1 Date: October 1980

Some portions of the guide have been revised slightly as shown in the attachments to more closely describe our program.

7. MEDICAL ISOTOPES COMMITTEE	
	Names and Specialties Attached; and
X	Duties as in Appendix B; or *(Check One)*
	Equivalent Duties Attached
8. TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE (See Page 6)	
	Supplements A & B Attached for Each Individual User; and
	Supplement A Attached for RSO.
9. INSTRUMENTATION *(Check One)*	
X	Appendix C Form Attached; or
	List by Name and Model Number
10. CALIBRATION OF INSTRUMENTS	
X	Appendix D Procedures Followed for Survey Instruments; or *(Check One)*
	Equivalent Procedures Attached; and
x	Appendix D Procedures Followed for Dose Calibrator; or *(Check One)*
	Equivalent Procedures Attached
11. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT	
X	Description and Diagram Attached
12. PERSONNEL TRAINING PROGRAM	
X	Description of Training Attached
13. PROCEDURES FOR ORDERING AND RECEIVING RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL	
X	Detailed Information Attached
14. PROCEDURES FOR SAFELY OPENING PACKAGES CONTAINING RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS *(Check One)*	
X	Appendix F Procedures Followed; or
	Equivalent Procedures Attached

15. GENERAL RULES FOR THE SAFE USE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL *(Check One)*	
X	Appendix G Rules Followed; or
	Equivalent Rules Attached
16. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES *(Check One)*	
X	Appendix H Procedures Followed; or
	Equivalent Procedures Attached
17. AREA SURVEY PROCEDURES *(Check One)*	
X	Appendix I Procedures Followed; or
	Equivalent Procedures Attached
18. WASTE DISPOSAL *(Check One)*	
X	Appendix J Form Attached; or
	Equivalent Information Attached
19. THERAPEUTIC USE OF RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS N/A *(Check One)*	
	Appendix K Procedures Followed; or
	Equivalent Procedures Attached
20. THERAPEUTIC USE OF SEALED SOURCES	
N/A	Detailed Information Attached; and
	Appendix L Procedures Followed; or *(Check One)*
	Equivalent Procedures Attached
21. PROCEDURES AND PRECAUTIONS FOR USE OF RADIOACTIVE GASES (e.g., Xenon – 133)	
N/A	Detailed Information Attached
22. PROCEDURES AND PRECAUTIONS FOR USE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL IN ANIMALS	
N/A	Detailed Information Attached
23. PROCEDURES AND PRECAUTIONS FOR USE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL SPECIFIED IN ITEM 6.b	
N/A	Detailed Information Attached

24. PERSONNEL MONITORING DEVICES

TYPE (Check appropriate box)			SUPPLIER	EXCHANGE FREQUENCY
a. WHOLE BODY	X	FILM	R.S. Landauer, Jr. & Co.	Monthly
		TLD		
		OTHER (Specify)		
b. FINGER		FILM		
	X	TLD	R.S. Landauer, Jr. & Co.	Monthly
		OTHER (Specify)		
c. WRIST		FILM		
		TLD		
		OTHER (Specify)		

d. OTHER (Specify)

This institution is also committed to the ALARA program set forth in the attached Appendix O.

25. FOR PRIVATE PRACTICE APPLICANTS ONLY

a. HOSPITAL AGREEING TO ACCEPT PATIENTS CONTAINING RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

NAME OF HOSPITAL

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY | STATE | ZIP CODE

b. ATTACH A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT LETTER SIGNED BY THE HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR.

c. WHEN REQUESTING THERAPY PROCEDURES, ATTACH A COPY OF RADIATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN AND LIST AVAILABLE RADIATION DETECTION INSTRUMENTS.

26. CERTIFICATE

(This item must be completed by applicant)

The applicant and any official executing this certificate on behalf of the applicant named in Item 1a certify that this application is prepared in conformity with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 30 and 35, and that all information contained herein, including any supplements attached hereto, is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

a. LICENSE FEE REQUIRED *(See Section 170.31, 10 CFR 170)*

(1) LICENSE FEE CATEGORY: County Hospital

(2) LICENSE FEE ENCLOSED: $ Fee exempt.

b. APPLICANT OR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL *(Signature)*: Paul L. Bender

(1) NAME *(Type or Print)*: Paul L. Bender

(2) TITLE: Administrator

c. DATE: January 26, 1987

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(3), enacted into law by section 3 of the Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579), the following statement is furnished to individuals who supply information to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on NRC Form 313M. This information is maintained in a system of records designated as NRC-3 and described at 40 Federal Register 45334 (October 1, 1975).

1. **AUTHORITY** Sections 81 and 161(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2111 and 2201(b)).

2. **PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S)** The information is evaluated by the NRC staff pursuant to the criteria set forth in 10 CFR Parts 30-36 to determine whether the application meets the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations, for the issuance of a radioactive material license or amendment thereof.

3. **ROUTINE USES** The information may be used: (a) to provide records to State health departments for their information and use; and (b) to provide information to Federal, State, and local health officials and other persons in the event of incident or exposure, for their information, investigation, and protection of the public health and safety. The information may also be disclosed to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies in the event that the information indicates a violation or potential violation of law and in the course of an administrative or judicial proceeding. In addition, this information may be transferred to an appropriate Federal, State, or local agency to the extent relevant and necessary for a NRC decision or to an appropriate Federal agency to the extent relevant and necessary for that agency's decision about you. A copy of the license issued will routinely be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

4. **WHETHER DISCLOSURE IS MANDATORY OR VOLUNTARY AND EFFECT ON INDIVIDUAL OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION** Disclosure of the requested information is voluntary. If the requested information is not furnished, however, the application for radioactive material license, or amendment thereof, will not be processed.

5. **SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS** Director, Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555.

RADIATION SAFETY/MEDICAL ISOTOPES COMMITTEE

The membership of this committee will consist of at least three (3) members and will include:

1. the radiation safety officer;

2. the hospital administrator or other administrative official directly responsible to the hospital administrator in the hospital's internal chain of command;

3. a physician specialist* from each department where radioactive materials are used; and

4. a representative of the hospital's nursing staff.

*Some departments, such as the nuclear pharmacy, may not be under the supervision of a physician. In these cases, the supervisory paramedical professional will be a member of the committee.

The names and specialties of the committee members will be documented at the hospital, will be updated as necessary, and will be available for inspection.

APPENDIX B

MEDICAL ISOTOPES COMMITTEE

Responsibility

The committee is responsible for :

1. Ensuring that all individuals who work with or in the vicinity of radioactive material have sufficient training and experience to enable them to perform their duties safely and in accordance with NRC regulations and the conditions of the license.

2. Ensuring that all use of radioactive material is conducted in a safe manner and in accordance with NRC regulations and the conditions of the license.

Duties

The committee shall:

1. Be familiar with all pertinent NRC regulations, the terms of the license, and information submitted in support of the request for the license and its amendments.

2. Review the training and experience of all individuals who use radioactive material (including physicians, technologists, physicists, and pharmacists) and determine that their qualifications are sufficient to enable them to perform their duties safely and in accordance with NRC regulations and the conditions of the license.

3. Establish a program to ensure that all individuals whose duties may require them to work in the vicinity of radioactive material (e.g., nursing, security, and housekeeping personnel) are properly instructed as required by §19.12 of 10 CFR Part 19.

4. Review and approve all requests for use of radioactive material within the institution.

5. Prescribe special conditions that will be required during a proposed use of radioactive material such as requirements for bioassays, physical examinations of users, and special monitoring procedures.

6. Review the entire radiation safety program at least annually to determine that all activities are being conducted safely and in accordance with NRC regulations and the conditions of the license. The review shall include an examination of all records, reports from the radiation safety officer, results of NRC inspection, written safety procedures, and the adequacy of the institution's management control system.

7. Recommend remedial action to correct any deficiencies identified in the radiation safety program.

8. Maintain written records of all committee meetings, actions, recommendations, and decisions.

9. Ensure that the byproduct material license is amended, when necessary, prior to any changes in facilities, equipment, policies, procedures, and personnel, as specified in the license.

Meeting Frequency

The medical isotopes committee shall meet as often as necessary to conduct its business but not less than once in each calendar quarter.

NAME OF AUTHORIZED USER	AUTHORIZATION
Alan S. Cooperman, D.O.	All
Edward C. Weber, D.O.	All
Steven Lee Hossler, M.D.	All

Each of the above physicians is listed on our current license. Please refer to our previous applications for preceptor and training records on these individuals.

APPENDIX C

INSTRUMENTATION

1. Survey meters

a. Manufacturer's name: Eon

Manufacturer's model number: PSM-700

Number of instruments available: 1

Minimum range: 0 mR/hr to 0.5 mR/hr

Maximum range: 0 mR/hr to 50 mR/hr

b. Manufacturer's name: Victoreen

Manufacturer's model number: 740-F

Number of instruments available: 1

Minimum range: 0 mR/hr to 25 mR/hr

Maximum range: 0 mR/hr to 2500 mR/hr

2. Dose calibrator

Manufacturer's name: Capintec

Manufacturer's model number: CRC-10 and CRC-5

Number of instruments available: Two (2)

3. Instruments used for diagnostic procedures

Type of Instrument	Manufacturer's Name	Model No.
Gamma Camera	Medx	X-37

CALIBRATION OF SURVEY INSTRUMENTS

Check appropriate items.

__X__ 1. Survey instruments will be calibrated at least annually and following repair.

__X__ 2. Calibration will be performed at two points on each scale used for radiation protection purposes, i.e., at least up to 1 R/hr.

The two points will be approximately 1/3 and 2/3 of full scale. A survey instrument may be considered properly calibrated when the instrument readings are within ± 10 percent of the calculated or known values for each point checked. Readings within ± 20 percent are considered acceptable if a calibration chart, graph, or response factor is prepared, attached to the instrument, and used to interpret readings to within ± 10 percent. Also, when higher scales are not checked or calibrated, an appropriate precautionary note will be posted on the instrument.

3. Survey instruments will be calibrated

__X__ a. By the manufacturer

_____ b. At the licensee's facility

(1) Calibration source

Manufacturer's name _____
Model no. _____
Activity in millicuries _____
or
Exposure rate at a specified distance _____
Accuracy _____
or Traceability to primary standard _____

__X__ (2) The calibration procedures in Section I of Appendix D will be used

or

_____ (3) The step-by-step procedures, including radiation safety procedures, are attached.

or

__X__ c. By a consultant or outside firm

(1) Name Standard Nuclear Consultants, Ltd.

(2) Location 1340 Balmoral Ave., Westchester, IL 60153

(3) Procedures and sources

__X__ have been approved by NRC and are on file in License No. 12-20362-01

_____ have been approved by an Agreement State; a copy of the Agreement State license, the procedures, and a description of the sources are attached, and the consultant's report will contain the information on

_____ the attached "Certificate of Instrument Calibration."
_____ the consultant's reporting form as attached.

_____ are described in the attachment, and the consultant's report will contain the information on

_____ the attached "Certificate of Instrument Calibration."
_____ the consultant's reporting form as attached.

CALIBRATION OF DOSE CALIBRATOR

A. Sources Used for Linearity Test

(Check as appropriate)

X First elution from new Mo-99/Tc-99m generator

X Other* (specify) ** If generators are not in use, a source of Tc-99m with activity equivalent to the maximum activity assayed to clinical situations will be used.

B. Sources Used for Instrument Accuracy and Constancy Tests ***

Radionuclide	Suggested Activity (mCi)	Activity (mCi)	Accuracy
Co-57	3-5	One millicurie or more	within ±5%
Ba-133	0.1-0.5	100 microcuries or more	within ±5%
Cs-137	0.1-0.2	100 microcuries or more	within ±5%
Ra-226	1-2	N/A	N/A
N/A		N/A	N/A

C. X The procedures described in Section 2 of Appendix D will be used for calibration of the dose calibrator

or

_____ Equivalent procedures are attached.

*For licensees who are not authorized for Mo-99/Tc-99m generators, activity must be equivalent to the highest activity used.

** We also request authorization to use an alternate method of performing dose calibrator linearity checks using a "Lineator" device (Atomic Products Corp., Center Moriches, NY) or a "Calicheck" system (Calcorp). We confirm the manufacturer's product literature will be followed with respect to use, calculations, and replacement of damaged parts.

*** For constancy tests, we will use a Cs-137 source of 100 µCi or more to check the Cs-137 setting as well as the other commonly used radionuclide settings. The shorter half-lives of Ba-133 and Co-57 make frequent decay corrections necessary and we therefore do not feel they are practical for this use.

Section 2

METHODS FOR CALIBRATION OF DOSE CALIBRATOR*

All radiopharmaceuticals must be assayed for activity to an accuracy of 10 percent. The most common instrument for accomplishing this is an ionization-type dose calibrator. The instrument must be checked for accurate operation at the time of installation and periodically thereafter.

A. Test for the following:

1. Instrument constancy (daily)
2. Instrument accuracy (at installation and annually thereafter)
3. Instrument linearity (at installation and quarterly thereafter)
4. Geometrical variation (at installation)

B. After repair or adjustment of the dose calibrator, repeat all the appropriate tests listed above (dependent upon the nature of the repairs).

C. Test for Instrument Constancy

Instrument constancy means that there is reproducibility, within a stated acceptable degree of precision, in measuring a constant activity over time. Assay at least one relatively long-lived reference source such as Cs-137, Co-57,** or Ra-226** using a reproducible geometry before each day's use of the instrument. Preferably, at least two reference sources (for example, 3-5 mCi of Co-57 and 100-200 μCi of Cs-137 or 1-2 mg Ra-226 (with appropriate decay corrections) will be alternated each day of use to test the instrument's performance over a range of photon energies and source activities.

1. Assay each reference source using the appropriate instrument setting (i.e., Cs-137 setting for Cs-137).
2. Measure background level at same instrument setting, or check that automatic background subtraction is operating properly when blanks are inserted in the calibrator.
3. Calculate net activity of each source subtracting out background level.
4. For each source, plot net activity versus the day of the year on semilog graph paper.
5. Log the background levels.
6. Indicate the predicted activity of each source based on decay calculations and the ± 5 percent limits on the graph.
7. Repeat the procedure used for the Cs-137 source for all the commonly used radionuclide settings.
8. Variations greater than ± 5 percent from the predicted activity indicate the need for instrument repair or adjustment.
9. Investigate higher than normal background levels to determine their origin and to eliminate them if possible by decontamination, relocation, etc.

D. Inspect the instrument on a quarterly basis to ascertain that the measurement chamber liner is in place and that instrument zero is properly set (see manufacturer's instructions).

E. Test of Instrument Linearity

The linearity of a dose calibrator should be ascertained over the entire range of activities employed. This test will use a vial of Tc-99m whose activity is equivalent to the maximum anticipated activity to be assayed (e.g., the first elution from a new generator).

1. Assay the Tc-99m vial in the dose calibrator, and subtract background level to obtain net activity in millicuries.
2. Repeat step 1 at time intervals of 6, 24, 30, and 48 hours after the initial assay.
3. Using the 30-hour activity measurement as a starting point, calculate the predicted activities at 0, 6, 24, and 48 hours using the following table:

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* See ANSI N42.13-1978, "Calibration and Usage of Dose Calibrator Ionization Chambers for the Assay of Radionuclides" (American National Standards Institute, Inc., 1430 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10018).

** Co-57 and Ra-226 are not subject to NRC licensing; the respective State agency should be consulted to determine its requirements for possessing this material.

Assay Time (hr)*	*Correction Factor*
0	31.633
6	15.853
24	1.995
30	1
48	0.126

Example: If the net activity measured at 30 hours was 15.625 mCi, the calculated activities for 6 and 48 hours would be 15.625 mCi x 15.853 = 247.7 mCi and 15.625 mCi x 0.126 = 1.97 mCi, respectively.

** 4. On log-log coordinate paper, plot the measured net activity (for each time interval) versus the calculated activity (for the same time interval).

** 5. The activities plotted should be within ±5 percent of the calculated activity if the instrument is linear and functioning properly. Errors greater than ±5 percent indicate the need for repair or adjustment of the instrument.

6. If instrument linearity cannot be corrected, it will be necessary in routine assays to use either (a) an aliquot of the eluate that can be accurately measured or (b) the graph constructed in step 4 to relate measured activities to calculated activities.

F. Test for Geometrical Variation

There may be significant geometrical variation in activity measured as a function of sample volume or configuration, depending on the volume and size of the ionization chamber used in the dose calibrator. The extent of geometrical variation should be ascertained for commonly used radionuclides and appropriate correction factors computed if variations are significant, i.e., greater than ±2 percent. (Even though correction factors may be provided by the manufacturer, the accuracy of these should be checked.) When available from the manufacturer, certified data on geometrical variations may be used in lieu of these measurements.

To measure variation with volume of liquid, a 30-cc vial containing 2 mCi of Co-57 or other appropriate radionuclide in a volume of 1 ml will be used.

1. Assay vial at the appropriate instrument setting, and subtract background level to obtain net activity.

2. Increase the volume of liquid in the vial in steps to 2, 4, 8, 10, 20, and 25 ml by adding the appropriate amount of water or saline. After each addition, gently shake vial to mix contents and assay as in step 1. (Follow good radiation safety practices to avoid contamination and to minimize radiation exposure.)

3. Select one volume as a standard (such as the volume of reference standard used in performing the test for instrument accuracy), and calculate the ratio of measured activities for each volume to the reference volume activity. This represents the volume correction factor (CF).

Example: If activities of 2.04, 2.02, and 2.00 mCi are measured for 4, 8, and 10 ml volumes and 10 ml is the reference volume selected,

$$4 \text{ ml Volume CF} = \frac{2.00}{2.04} = 0.98$$

4. Plot the correction factors against the volume on linear graph paper. Use this graph to select the proper volume correction factors for routine assay of that radionuclide.

5. The true activity of a sample is calculated as follows:

True Activity = Measured Activity x Correction Factor

where the correction factor used is for the same volume and geometrical configuration as the sample measured.

6. Similarly, the same activity of Co-57 in a syringe may be compared with that of 10 ml in a 30-cc vial, and a correction factor may be calculated.

7. It should be noted that differences of 200 percent in dose calibrator readings between glass and plastic syringes have been observed for lower-energy radionuclides such as I-125, which should be assayed in a dose calibrator only if the reliability of such an assay can be established. Glass tubes and syringes may also vary enough in thickness to cause significant errors in assaying I-125. Hence, adequate correction factors must be established.

An alternative to providing syringe calibration factors is to simply assay the stock vial before and after filling the syringe. The activity in the syringe is then the difference in the two readings (with a volume correction if significant).

G. Test for Instrument Accuracy

Check the accuracy of the dose calibrator for several radionuclides, including Cs-137, Co-57, and Ba-133, using appropriate reference standards whose activities have been calibrated by comparisons with standard sources that have been assayed by NBS and documented.

* Assay times should be measured in whole hours and correction factors should be used to the third decimal place as indicated. The more recent half-life of $T_{1/2}$ = 6.02 hours has been used in calculating these correction factors.

**As an alternative to graphing these results, we find we find we can more accurately determine the %error by the following equation: $\frac{\text{Calculated activity - Measured Activity}}{\text{Calculated Activity}} = \%\text{error}$

The activity levels of the reference sources used should approximate those levels normally encountered in clinical use (e.g., Co-57, 3-5 millicuries) giving adequate attention to source configuration. Identify in your application the three sources that you will use. State nuclide, activity, and calibration accuracy. The lower-energy reference standards (Tc-99m, Xe-133, I-125) must be in vials with the same thickness of glass as the actual samples to be measured for best accuracy.

1. Assay the reference standard in the dose calibrator at the appropriate setting, and subtract the background level to obtain the net activity.

2. Repeat step 1 for a total of 3 determinations, and average results.

3. The average activity determined in step 2 should agree with the certified activity of the reference source within ±5 percent after decay corrections.

4. Repeat the above steps for other commonly used radionuclides for which adequate reference standards are available.

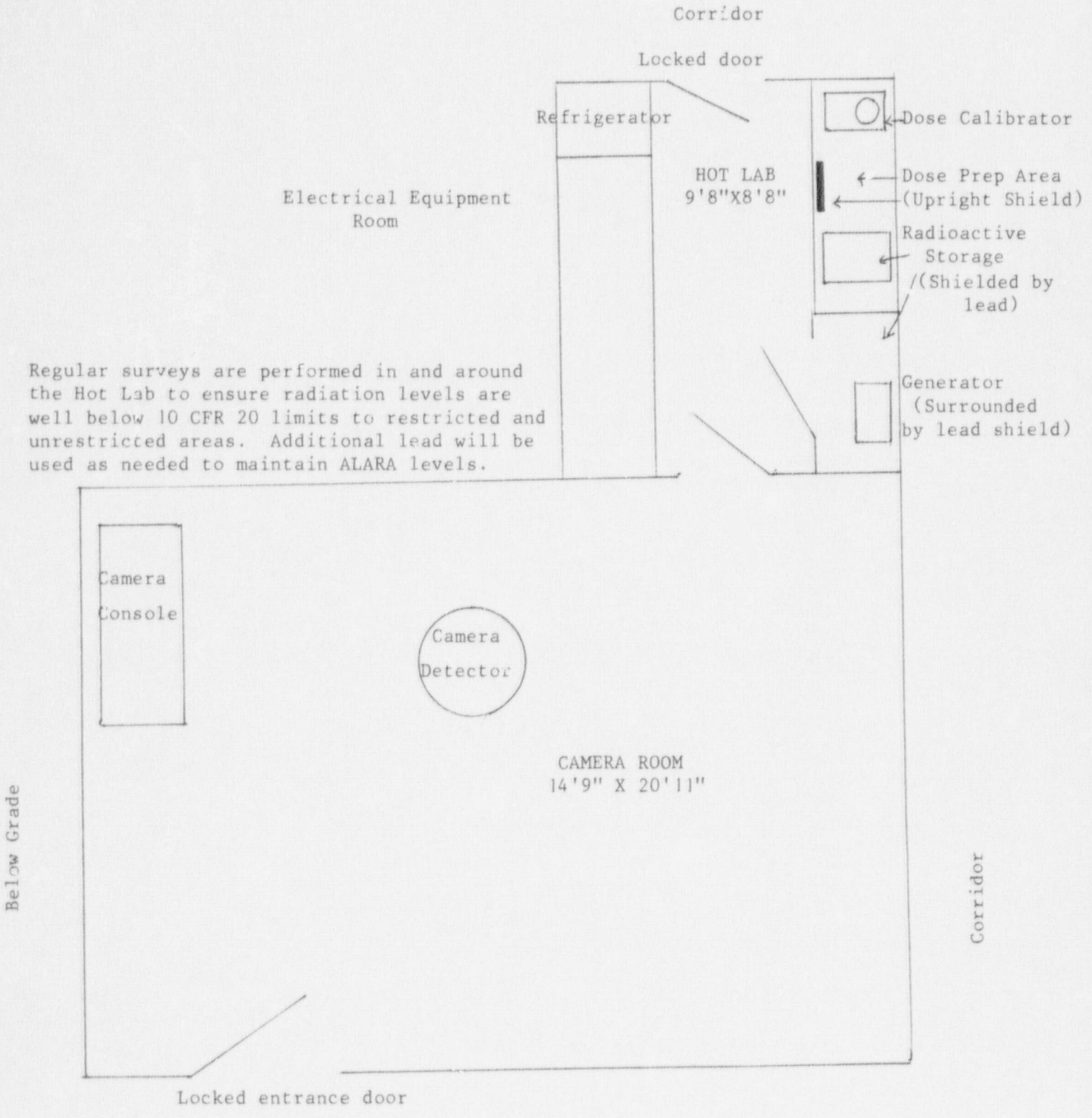
5. Keep a log of these calibration checks.

6. Calibration checks that do not agree within ±5 percent indicate that the instrument should be repaired or adjusted. If this is not possible, a calibration factor should be calculated for use during routine assays of radionuclides.

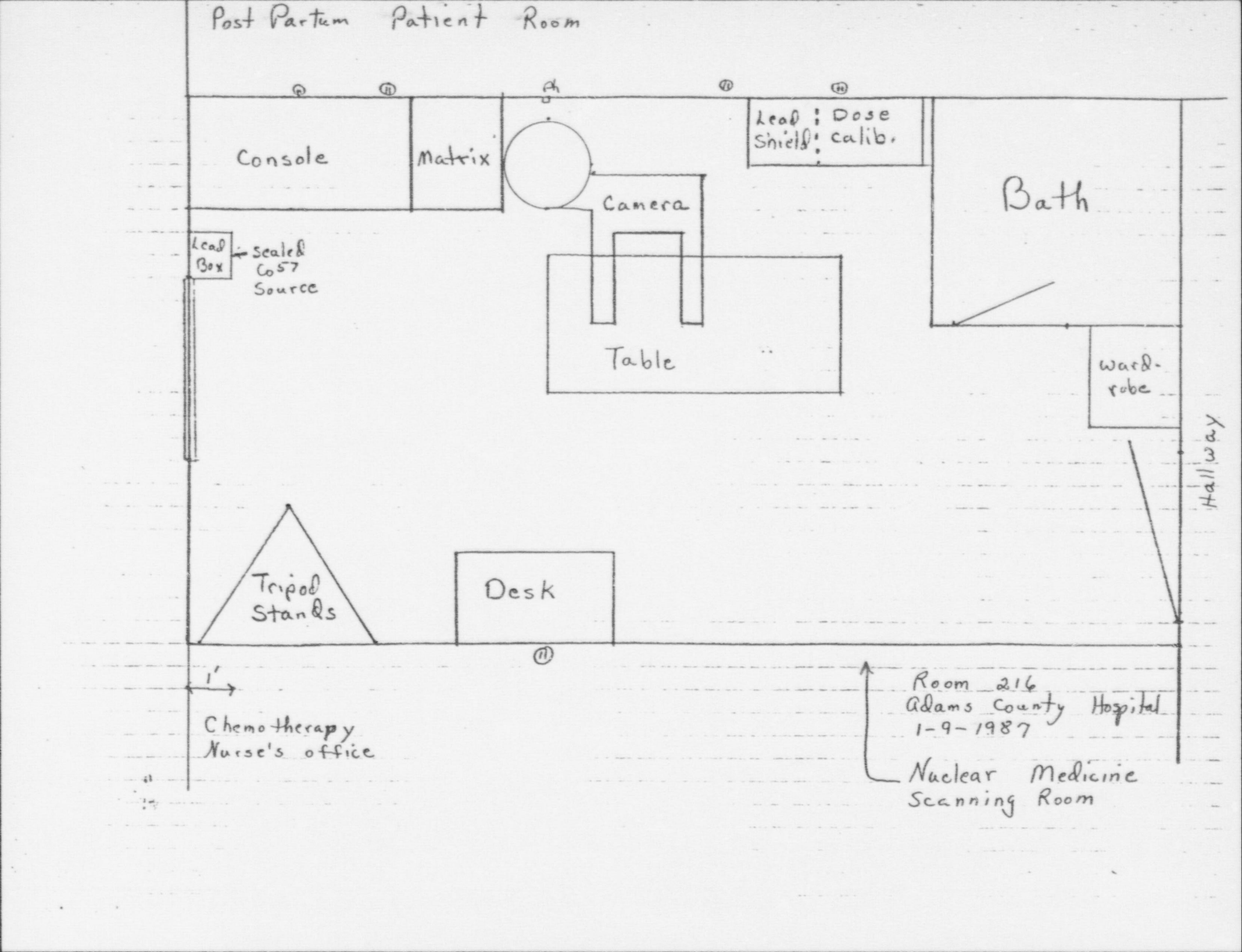
7. At the same time the instrument is being initially calibrated at the licensee's facility with the reference standards, place a long-lived source in the calibrator, set the instrument, in turn, at the various radionuclide settings used (Cs-137, I-131, Tc-99m, I-125, etc.), and record the readings. These values may later be used to check instrument calibration at each setting (after correcting for decay of the long-lived source) without requiring more reference standards. Keep a log of these initial and subsequent readings.

WELLS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Bluffton, IN 46714



Regular surveys are performed in and around the Hot Lab to ensure radiation levels are well below 10 CFR 20 limits to restricted and unrestricted areas. Additional lead will be used as needed to maintain ALARA levels.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Hallway
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Desk
1'
Chemotherapy Nurse's office
Room 216
Adams County Hospital
1-9-1987
Nuclear Medicine Scanning Room

Technical Requirements for Transfer of Radioactive Materials to Client Address

A. Transport to each address of use only syringes or vials containing prepared radiopharmaceuticals or radiopharmaceuticals that are intended for reconstitution of radiopharmaceutical kits.

B. Bring into each address of use all byproduct material to be used and, before leaving, remove all unused byproduct material and all associated waste.

C. Secure or keep under constant surveillance and immediate control all byproduct material when in transit or at an address of use.

D. Check survey instruments and dose calibrators as required by license conditions and regulations and check all other transported equipment for proper function before medical use at each address of use.

E. Carry a radiation detection survey meter in each vehicle that is being used to transport byproduct material, and, before leaving the client address of use, survey all radiopharmaceutical areas of use with a radiation detection survey meter to ensure that all radiopharmaceuticals and associated waste have been removed. Retain a record of these surveys.

PERSONNEL TRAINING PROGRAM

I. Individuals who work in or frequent restricted areas will be instructed in the items specified in 10 CFR 19.12 at the time of initial employment and at least annually thereafter.

This instruction will include:

a. All terms of the license pertinent to radiation safety.

b. Areas where radioactive material is used or stored.

c. Potential hazards associated with radioactive material.

d. Radiological safety procedures appropriate to their respective duties.

e. Pertinent NRC regulations.

f. Rules and regulations of the license.

g. Obligation to report unsafe conditions to the radiation safety officer.

h. Appropriate response to emergencies or unsafe conditions.

i. Right to be informed of their radiation exposure and bioassay results.

j. Locations where the licensee has posted or made available notices, copies of pertinent regulations, and copies of pertinent licenses and license conditions (including applications and applicable correspondence), as required by 10 CFR Part 19.

II. Individuals whose duties may require them to work in the vicinity of licensed material will be informed about radiation hazards and appropriate precautions at the time of initial employment and at least annually thereafter. This information will be provided initially at hospital employee orientation sessions and annually thereafter at in-service meetings.

APPENDIX E

PROCEDURES FOR ORDERING AND ACCEPTING DELIVERY OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

1. The Supervisory Nuclear Medicine Technologist will place all orders for radioactive materials and will ensure that the requested materials and quantities are authorized by the license and that possession limits are not exceeded.

2. A system for ordering and receiving radioactive materials will be established and maintained. The system will consist minimally of the following:

   a. Ordering of routinely used materials

      (1) Written records that identify the isotope, compound, activity levels, and supplier, etc., will be used.

      (2) The written records will be referenced when opening or storing radioactive shipment.

   b. Ordering of specially used materials (e.g., therapeutic uses)

      (1) A written request* will be obtained from the physician who will perform the procedure.

      (2) Persons ordering the materials will reference the physician's written request when placing the order. The physician's request will indicate isotope, compound, activity level, etc.

      (3) The physician's written request will be referenced when receiving, opening, or storing the radioactive material.

   c. It is essential that written records* be maintained for all ordering and receipt procedures.

3. During normal working hours, carriers will be instructed to deliver radioactive packages directly to the Nuclear Medicine Department.

4. During off-duty hours, security personnel or other designated individuals will accept delivery of radioactive packages in accordance with the procedures outlined in the sample memorandum below.

*In the case of special orders, the physician's written request and appropriate shipping/receipt records will be referenced and the dose assayed prior to its administration.

SAMPLE** MEMORANDUM

MEMORANDUM FOR: Security Personnel

FROM: Hospital Administrator

SUBJECT: RECEIPT OF PACKAGES CONTAINING RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

Any packages containing radioactive material that arrive between 4:30 p.m. and 7 a.m. or on Sundays shall be signed for by the Security Guard on duty and taken immediately to the Nuclear Medicine Department. Unlock the door, place the package on top of the counter immediately to the right of the door, and relock the door.

If the package is wet or appears to be damaged immediately contact the Radiation Safety Officer. Ask the carrier to remain until it can be dtermined that neither he nor the delivery vehicle is contaminated.

**RADIATION SAFETY OFFICER _____

**OFFICE PHONE _____

**HOME PHONE _____

**On the actual memo that is used, this information will be filled in and updated as necessary.

APPENDIX F

PROCEDURES FOR SAFELY OPENING PACKAGES CONTAINING RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

1. Special requirements will be followed for packages containing quantities of radioactive material in excess of the Type A quantity limits as specified in paragraphs 20.205(a)(1) and (c)(1) of 10 CFR Part 20 (more than 20 Ci for Mo-99 and Tc-99m). They will be monitored for surface contamination and external radiation levels within 3 hours after receipt if received during working hours or within 18 hours if received after working hours, in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs 20.205(a) through (c). All shipments of liquids greater than exempt quantities will be tested for leakage. The NRC Regional Office will be notified in accordance with the regulations if removable contamination exceeds 0.01 μCi/100 cm^2 or if external radiation levels exceed 200 mR/hr at the package surface or 10 mR/hr at 3 feet (or 1 m).

2. For all packages, the following additional procedures for opening packages will be carried out:

   a. Put on gloves to prevent hand contamination.

   b. Visually inspect package for any sign of damage (e.g., wetness, crushed). If damage is noted, stop procedure and notify Radiation Safety Officer.

   c. Measure exposure rate at 3 feet (or 1 m) from package surface and record. If >10 mR/hr, stop procedure and notify Radiation Safety Officer.

   d. Measure surface exposure rate and record. If >200 mR/hr, stop procedure and notify Radiation Safety Officer.

   e. Open the package with the following precautionary steps:

      (1) Open the outer package (following manufacturer's directions, if supplied) and remove packing slip.

      (2) Open inner package and verify that contents agree with those on packing slip. Compare requisition,* packing slip, and label on bottle.

      (3) Check integrity of final source container (i.e., inspect for breakage of seals or vials, loss of liquid, and discoloration of packaging material).

      (4) Check also that shipment does not exceed possession limits.

   f. Wipe external surface of final source container shield and remove wipe to low background area. Check wipes with a thin-end-window G-M survey meter, and take precaution against the spread of contamination as necessary.

   g. Monitor the packing material and packages for contamination before discarding.

      (1) If contaminated, treat as radioactive waste.

      (2) If not contaminated, obliterate radiation labels before discarding in regular trash.

3. Maintain records of the results of checking each package, using "Radioactive Shipment Receipt Record" (see next page) or a form containing the same information.

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*In the case of special orders (e.g., therapy doses), also compare with physician's written request.

APPENDIX G

GENERAL RULES FOR SAFE USE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

1. Wear laboratory coats or other protective clothing at all times in areas where radioactive materials are used.

2. Wear disposable gloves at all times while handling radioactive materials.

3. Monitor hands and clothing for contamination after each procedure or before leaving the area.

4. Always use syringe shields for routine preparation of patient doses and administration to patients, except in circumstances such as pediatric cases when their use would compromise the patient's well-being. In these exceptional cases, use other protective methods such as remote delivery of the dose (e.g., through use of a butterfly valve).

5. a. Do not eat, drink, smoke, or apply cosmetics in any area where radioactive material is stored or used.

   b. Do not store food, drink, or personal effects with radioactive material.

6. a. Assay each patient dose in the dose calibrator prior to administration. Do not use any doses that differ from the prescribed dose by more than 10 percent.

   b. For therapeutic doses, also check the patient's name, the radionuclide, the chemical form, and the activity vs. the order written by the physician who will perform the procedure.

7. Wear personnel monitoring devices (film badge or TLD) at all times while in areas where radioactive materials are used or stored. These devices should be worn at chest or waist level. Personnel monitoring devices when not being worn to monitor occupational exposures should be stored in a designated low background area.

8. Wear TLD finger badges during elution of generator and preparation, assay, and injection of radiopharmaceuticals.

9. Dispose of radioactive waste only in specially designated and properly shielded receptacles.

10. Never pipette by mouth.

11. Survey generator, kit preparation, and injection areas for contamination after each procedure or at the end of the day. Decontaminate if necessary.

12. Confine radioactive solutions in covered containers plainly identified and labeled with name of compound, radionuclide, date, activity, and radiation level, if applicable.

13. Always transport radioactive material in shielded containers.

APPENDIX H

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Minor Spills

1. NOTIFY: Notify persons in the area that a spill has occurred.

2. PREVENT THE SPREAD: Cover the spill with absorbent paper.

3. CLEAN UP: Use disposable gloves and remote handling tongs. Carefully fold the absorbent paper and pad. Insert into a plastic bag and dispose of in the radioactive waste container. Also insert into the plastic bag all other contaminated materials such as disposable gloves.

4. SURVEY: With a low-range, thin-window G-M survey meter, check the area around the spill, hands, and clothing for contamination.

5. REPORT: Report incident to the Radiation Safety Officer.

Major Spills

1. CLEAR THE AREA: Notify all persons not involved in the spill to vacate the room.

2. PREVENT THE SPREAD: Cover the spill with absorbent pads, but do not attempt to clean it up. Confine the movement of all personnel potentially contaminated to prevent the spread.

3. SHIELD THE SOURCE: If possible, the spill should be shielded, but only if it can be done without further contamination or without significantly increasing your radiation exposure.

4. CLOSE THE ROOM: Leave the room and lock the door(s) to prevent entry.

5. CALL FOR HELP: Notify the Radiation Safety Officer immediately.

6. PERSONNEL DECONTAMINATION: Contaminated clothing should be removed and stored for further evaluation by the Radiation Safety Officer. If the spill is on the skin, flush thoroughly and then wash with mild soap and lukewarm water.

*RADIATION SAFETY OFFICER: _____
*OFFICE PHONE: _____
*HOME PHONE: _____

*ALTERNATE NAMES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS DESIGNATED BY RADIATION SAFETY OFFICER

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*On the actual copy that is posted in the nuclear medicine department, this information will be filled in and updated as necessary.

APPENDIX I

AREA SURVEY PROCEDURES

1. All elution, preparation, and injection areas will be surveyed daily with an appropriately low-range survey meter and decontaminated if necessary.*

2. Laboratory areas where only small quantities of radioactive material are used (less than 200 μCi) will be surveyed monthly.

3. Waste storage areas and all other laboratory areas will be surveyed weekly.

4. The weekly and monthly surveys will consist of:

   a. A measurement of radiation levels with a survey meter sufficiently sensitive to detect 0.1 mR/hr.

** b. A series of wipe tests to measure contamination levels. The method for performing wipe tests will be sufficiently sensitive to detect 200 dpm per 100 cm^2 for the contaminant involved. Wipes of elution and preparation areas or other "high background" areas will be removed to a low background area for measurement.

5. A permanent record will be kept of all survey results, including negative results. The record will include:

   a. Location, date, and identification of equipment used, including the serial number and pertinent counting efficiencies.

   b. Name of person conducting the survey.

   c. Drawing of area surveyed, identifying relevant features such as active storage areas, active waste areas, etc.

   d. Measured exposure rates, keyed to location on the drawing (point out rates that require corrective action).

   e. Detected contamination levels, keyed to locations on drawing.

   f. Corrective action taken in the case of contamination or excessive exposure rates, reduced contamination levels or exposure rates after corrective action, and any appropriate comments.

6. *** Area will be cleaned if the contamination level exceeds 200 dpm/100 cm^2.

* For daily surveys where no abnormal exposures are found, only the date, the identification of the person performing the survey, and the survey results will be recorded.

** At times when a well counter is not available for assaying wipes, the following method may be performed, using a low level g.m. survey meter. We confirm the following points:

A. The detector wall thickness will be 30 mg/cm^2 or less.

B. The instrument will be capable of detecting 0.1 mr/hr or less.

C. The approximate response time of the survey meter used will be 30 seconds or less. The wipes will therefore be held at the open window of the detector for about 30 seconds to ensure any contamination present may be detected.

D. Wipes will be assayed in a low background area.

*** When a survey meter is used to assay the wipes, any readings over background radiation levels (rather than 200 dpm/100 cm^2) will be used as the action level for cleaning the area.

See also the special survey requirements in Item 11 for transported radioactive materials.

APPENDIX J

WASTE DISPOSAL

Note: In view of the recent problems with shallow-land burial sites used by commercial waste disposal firms, NRC is encouraging its licensees to reduce the volume of wastes sent to these facilities. Important steps in volume reduction are to segregate radioactive from nonradioactive waste, to hold short-lived radioactive waste for decay in storage, and to release certain materials in the sanitary sewer in accordance with §20.303 of 10 CFR Part 20.

1. Liquid waste will be disposed of (check as appropriate)

__X__ In the sanitary sewer system in accordance with §20.303 of 10 CFR Part 20.

__N/A__ By commercial waste disposal service (see also Item 4 below).

_____ Other (specify): _____

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2. Mo-99/Tc-99m generators will be (check as appropriate)

__X__ Returned to the manufacturer for disposal.

__X__ Held for decay* until radiation levels, as measured in a low background area with a low-level survey meter and with all shielding removed, have reached background levels. All radiation labels will be removed or obliterated, and the generators will be disposed of as normal trash.**

__N/A__ Disposed of by commercial waste disposal service (see also Item 4 below).

_____ Other (specify): _____

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3. Other solid waste will be (check as appropriate)

__X__ Held for decay* until radiation levels, as measured in a low background area with a low-level survey meter and with all shielding removed, have reached background levels. All radiation labels will be removed or obliterated, and the waste will be disposed of in normal trash.

__N/A__ Disposed of by commercial waste disposal service (see also Item 4 below).

_____ Other (specify): _____

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4. The commercial waste disposal service used will be

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(Name) (City, State)

NRC/Agreement State License No. _____

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* Be sure that waste storage areas were described in Item 11 and that they are surveyed periodically (Item 17).

** These generators may contain long-lived radioisotopic contaminants. Therefore, the generator columns will be segregated so that they may be monitored separately to ensure decay to background levels prior to disposal.