AUTHORITY OF REQUESTOR POLICY

AUDIT DESCRIPTION
An audit of the presence of a local policy that clearly defines who has the authority to request imaging investigations

Standard
There should be a local policy that clearly defines who has the authority to request imaging investigations and there should be a clear system in place for identifying that all referrals accepted for imaging are initiated by an authorised referrer (and the request has the appropriate form and content).

SOURCE OF STANDARD
Legislation

IMPORTANCE
Patients should be protected from inappropriate investigations requested by those who do not have the necessary qualifications/competencies

TARGET
Comprehensive local policy in place

THE INDICATOR
Not applicable

DATA TO BE COLLECTED
Not applicable

SAMPLE
Not applicable

METHOD
Review policy

SUGGESTED ACTIONS IF TARGET NOT MET
• Analysis of inappropriate requesters
• Review policy
• Effective dissemination of policy to requesters and those who justify requests

REFERENCES