



IVC Filter Tracking & Consultation

The purpose of this guideline is to define MRG's procedure for tracking IVC filter placements, reviewing cases for removal, consultation scheduling, and follow up on recommendations.

Scope

This guideline applies to any patient who received an IVC filter under the care of a MRG IR physician.

Guideline

- IVC Filter Tracking
 - MRG staff will track all patients who receive an IVC filter under the care of a MRG IR physician
 - Site worklists will be reviewed daily for new IVC filter placements and removals
 - New IVC filter patients are entered into a digital spreadsheet for follow up
 - IVC filter patients are tracked until filter is removed or IR physician determines that the filter will not need to be removed
 - ◆ The MRG standard recommendation for removal is 4-6 weeks post placement
 - ◆ Other timeline recommendations for removal may be included in the IR report or patient discharge summary
 - These removal recommendations should be addressed at the specified time
- IVC Filter Case Review
 - IVC filter cases will be reviewed by an IR physician at approximately 4 weeks post placement
 - MRG staff will verify if any other provider has assumed care of the IVC filter treatment planning
 - Check with medical assistants or physicians if necessary
 - Document if care has been assumed by another treating physician
 - MRG staff will obtain patient information on IVC filter cases for IR physician review
 - Name of IR physician who placed IVC filter
 - Name of facility where IVC filter was placed
 - Date IVC filter was placed
 - Most recent history and physical from PCP or other
 - Recent imaging reports and location of exams
 - Recent lab reports and location of tests
 - IR physician will review IVC filter cases
 - IR physician will request a consult with the patient at 4 weeks to discuss the removal procedure and risk factors involved
 - IR physician may determine that the filter will not need to be removed
 - ◆ MRG staff will notify PCP
 - IR physician may ask MRG staff to follow up at a future date

- Consult Request
 - MRG staff will schedule a consultation with the IVC filter patient at the following location as instructed by the IR physician:
 - Oregon Interventional Radiology
 - Consult time will be set for 30 minutes and will require the following available items/services:
 - Most recent history & physical
 - MRG imaging/procedure order forms

- Imaging/Procedure Order Forms
 - IR physicians are able to order the removal of an IVC filter as the “treating physician”
 - IR physicians are able to order diagnostic imaging studies related to the ongoing treatment or monitoring of an IVC filter patient
 - Imaging exam orders (vascular ultrasound) should be flagged for MRG physicians to read
 - MRG staff will send results to ordering MRG physician for review

- IVC Filter Removal Scheduling
 - MRG staff will schedule IVC filter removals at one of the following locations as instructed by the consulting IR physician
 - Asante Rogue Regional Medical Center
 - Providence Medford Medical Center
 - Cardiovascular Institute of Southern Oregon