Brain Imaging Center Policies

MRI Scanner
The MRI scan room door is kept locked at all times an MRI technologist is not present. There is a current list of Emergency Contacts on the white board, just outside the MRI door. In the event of any emergency, facilities or UCDenver police should notify one of the MRI personnel immediately before entering the MRI scan room.

Research Subjects
Research subjects must be escorted into the MRI scan room by qualified MRI personnel only and must be in constant visual contact throughout the MRI scan. An emergency buzzer must be given to the subject during the MRI scan so they may communicate with the MRI operator. At no time should the research subject be left unsupervised.

Fire Emergency
Building 400 is equipped with an emergency alarm and flashing lights. Since the research subjects are never left unattended, in the event of the emergency alarm activation, the MRI technologist should immediately remove the subject from the MRI scanner and proceed to nearest exit. In the event of a power outage, the table can be manually released and the research subject removed from the scanner.

Medical Emergency
In the event of a medical emergency, press the Yellow/Red Emergency button located on the North wall of room 112 or call 911
An AED defibrillator is located in the lobby of Building 400, First floor
When dialing 911 from within Building 400 you will reach the campus emergency operator.
Give location (Building Q09, Room 112) and type of emergency.
The operator will dispatch a campus officer to your location and call for an ambulance.
Be sure to direct all emergency personnel to the loading dock entrance on the north side of the building.
The physical address is 12469 East 17th Place, Aurora, CO 80010.

Weather Emergency
In the event of a tornado or other weather related emergency, building 400 is equipped with an emergency alarm and flashing lights. MR personnel should immediately remove the research subjects from the MRI scanner and proceed to the basement of the building, until ‘all clear’ is announced.

Subject Stimulation/Complaint Policy
In the event a subject complains of peripheral stimulation, headaches, or other symptoms following an MRI exam, the first course of action shall be to notify the Principle Investigator.

Incidental Finding on MRI scan
The MRI scans at the Brain Imaging Center are not read by a radiologist.
If a perceived life threatening abnormality is seen by the MR Technologist on the MRI scan of a research subject, the subject will be asked to remain at the facility until the Principle Investigator can be notified. If determined necessary, an ambulance would be requested for the subject.

If an abnormality of a non-life threatening nature is seen, the Principle Investigator will be notified by e-mail. If appropriate, follow up care will be advised with the subject’s primary care provider.