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Thank you for inviting me.

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Best practices for smartphone and smart-device clinical photo taking and sharing

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BEST PRACTICES FOR SMARTPHONE AND SMART DEVICE
CLINICAL PHOTO TAKING AND SHARING

INTRODUCTION
Clinical photography is essential for diagnosis, treatment, as well as other clinical decision making, is a key component of evidence-based practice, and is useful for the management of patients in remote locations. Inappropriate photography can create ethical or legal problems. The purpose of this policy is to highlight the ethical and legal issues that providers should be aware of when taking and sharing clinical photos.

PHOTOGRAPHY

- All photography must be taken with the patient’s knowledge and consent. This includes all photographs taken within the patient’s personal boundaries.
- Photographs should not be used for promotional or marketing purposes.
- Photographs should not be used outside the clinical setting.
- Photographs should not be shared with third parties without the patient’s consent.

- The patient’s right to privacy must be respected.
- The patient has the right to refuse or withdraw consent at any time.
- The patient should be informed of the purpose and use of the photographs.
- The patient should be informed of the potential risks associated with photography.
- The patient should be informed of their right to request that images be removed from records.

- Photographs should be stored in a secure and encrypted format.
- Photographs should be password-protected.
- Photographs should be removed from storage when no longer needed.

- Photographers should be trained in the use of photography.
- Photographers should be aware of any legal or ethical concerns.
- Photographers should be aware of the potential for discrimination.

- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient.
- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s family.
- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s community.

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- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s reputation.
- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s legal rights.

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- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s occupation.
- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s education.
- Photographers should be aware of the potential for harm to the patient’s hobbies.

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