

12.1 Radiology

Southwest Medical Associates (SMA) provides radiology services at multiple locations. The facility located at 888 S. Rancho Drive offers extended hours for urgent situations. SMA offers select exams at additional facilities, which operate during normal business hours.

All radiology exam require a signed order from the provider. CT, Ultrasound and Fluoroscopy require appointments. X-ray (plain film) does not need an appointment. Appointments can be made by contacting the radiology scheduling department.

Physician Exam Order:

- Diagnostic Mammogram Orders are valid for six (6) months.
- Screening Mammography and DEXA orders are valid for twelve (12) months.
- All other orders, CAT scan, Ultrasound, fluoroscopy, General Radiography, etc... Are valid for six (6) months with the exception of Urology Specialists of Nevada

Radiology Scheduling: 702-877-5390 STAT Scheduling only: 702-877-5002

NAME/LOCATION	PHONE	HOURS	PROCEDURES
Rancho 888 S. Rancho Dr.	(702) 877-5125	S-S 24 hours	Scheduled procedures 24 hours for emergencies STAT, Expedited Ultrasounds, CT Scans Plain film studies Dexa Scan
N. Tenaya Satellite 2704 N. Tenaya Way	(702) 243-8500	S-S 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Scheduled procedures STAT, Expedited, Routine CT Scans Plain film studies Screening Mammography Routine Ultrasounds
S. Eastern Satellite 4475 S. Eastern Ave.	(702) 737-1880	S-S 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Plain film studies Screening Mammography DEXA Scans Routine Ultrasounds STAT, Expedited, Routine CT Scans
Siena Heights Satellite 2845 Siena Heights	(702) 617-1227	S-S 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.	Plain film studies Screening Mammography Routine Ultrasounds
Montecito Satellite 7061 Grand Montecito Pkwy	(702) 750-7424	S-S 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.	Plain Film Studies Routine Ultrasounds
Sunrise Satellite 540 N. Nellis Blvd	(702) 459-7424	M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Plain film studies Screening Mammography
W. Tropicana Satellite 4835 S. Durango	(702) 984-5200	M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Plain film studies Screening Mammography
Pahrump Satellite 2210 E. Calvada	(775) 727-6400	M,W,Th 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Plain film studies
Lake Mead Satellite 270 W. Lake Mead	(702) 677-3720	M, T, F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Plain film studies
Summerlin Satellite	(702) 877-5199	M-F 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Plain film studies

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10105 Banbury Cross Drive		Screening Mammography Routine Ultrasound
W. Oakey Satellite 4750 W. Oakey Blvd	(702) 877-5199	M-F 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Plain film studies Screening Mammography Routine Ultrasound

Diagnostic Mammograms / Breast Ultrasound Scheduling: 702-877-8300

NAME/LOCATION	PHONE	HOURS	PROCEDURES
OptumCare Breast Center 2300 W. Charleston	(702) 877-5286	M-F 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Diagnostic Mammograms Breast Ultrasound
St. Rose 3175 St. Rose Pkwy Ste 200	(702) 877-5286	M-F 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Diagnostic Mammograms Breast Ultrasound

For radiology providers not listed, please refer to the HPN Provider Directory, the HPN web site www.healthplanofnevada.com or contact Provider Services at **(702) 242-7088 or (800) 745-7065**.

Southwest Medical Associates Mammography Guidelines

Screening Mammography

Screening mammogram for female patients ages **35 or older**:

- Must have an order (patients can self-refer if they are over 40+)
 - General breast pain or tenderness
 - Fibrocystic breasts
 - Yellow, green, white or milky discharge

Screening mammogram for female patients age **34 or younger**:

- Must have an order (no self-referrals)
 - Typically done for pre-augmentation purposes
 - Genetic testing and/or a strong family history of breast cancer (first degree relative)

Diagnostic Mammography

Female patients ages **30 or older** must have a diagnostic mammogram FIRST:

- Must have a diagnostic order/referral
 - New mass or lump
 - Rule out breast implant rupture (patient can be ANY age)-NO BCP VISIT, **IMAGING ONLY**
 - New onset nipple retraction, skin puckering or thickening
 - Bloody, black or clear discharge
 - Focal breast pain ONLY (please provide location)
 - First mammogram after being diagnosed with breast cancer (if the patient had a mastectomy unaffected breast can resume screening mammogram)
 - **EXCEPTION:** if a patient had a mammogram within the last 6 months and presents with a new lump, nipple retraction, skin puckering or discharge, a breast ultrasound should be completed first

Female patients ages **29 or younger** must have a *breast ultrasound* FIRST:

- Must have a diagnostic order/referral
 - New mass or lump

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- New onset nipple retraction, skin puckering or thickening
- Bloody, black or clear discharge
- Focal breast pain ONLY (please provide location)

Male patients:

- Must have a diagnostic order/referral
 - All males 18 and over require a diagnostic mammogram first, unless they are of pediatric age (please see pediatric patient guidelines)

*******PLEASE NOTE:**

- If a patient presents with an issue that has already been imaged within the last 12 months with normal results and there are no **NEW** changes, referral may be declined.
- Breast Ultrasound referrals for dense breast will be declined.

Pediatric Guidelines: 17 years and under:

- Pediatric females 12 years of age through 17 years of age are to be scheduled at a breast imaging center. These patients are no breast care (NBC) but receive a BIRADS preliminary reading and get results from their ordering PCP.
- All pediatric males up to 17 years old are ordered and scheduled as an US Miscellaneous (USMISC) and do not receive a BIRADS reading. They can schedule at any general ultrasound location. If the exam is normal there is no need to show the radiologist.
- Females under 12 years of age are ordered/scheduled as an US Miscellaneous (USMISC) and do not receive a BIRADS reading. They can schedule at any general ultrasound location. If the exam is normal there is no need to show the radiologist.

Radiology reports are available in 24-48 hours and are faxed to the requesting physician's office. Finalized reports can be mailed to a physician's office if requested by the physician or designated staff. Arrangements for fax may be made by telephoning **(702) 877-5125 (option # 5)**.

Imaging Expectation Sheets and Member Instruction Sheets – Please see Section 24 for copies of these frequently used forms

Timelines for diagnostic tests performed in the SMA Radiology department are as follows:

- Expedited requests – studies done within 72 hours
- Routine requests – studies done within 14 days
- STAT Referrals will be handled according to the below process.

Important Note:

Because of department limitations, all requests for STAT examinations must be done between the hours of **8:00am to 4:00pm; M-F and 3pm for CT with oral contrast.**

Providers ordering a STAT study MUST call (702-877-5002) scheduling to get a time and location for the patient to be seen.

Providers ordering a STAT study need to furnish the scheduling department with two contact numbers an office land line and provider cell phone number for direct telephonic result

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notification, an ETA of the patient arrival, a referral with appropriate clinical information and all necessary lab results.

If the patient needs I.V contrast and is diabetic, taking metformin, or has a history of renal disease, please provide current (within 30 days) BUN and Creatinine levels (eGFR). If lab tests have not been completed, please order them stat (STAT lab results may take up to 6hrs.)

Please instruct Patients to arrive by **arrive by 4:00pm; and 3pm for CT with oral contrast.** If Imaging is unable to contact the requesting Provider with results, the patient will be directed to check in through the Urgent Care for Evaluation & Treatment.

Ultrasound – STAT ultrasound exams will be performed at Rancho location only.

Ct scan – STAT CT scan can be performed at Rancho, South Eastern or North Tenaya location

Screening Mammography – Mammography is not done on a STAT basis.

General Radiology – Services are available during the identified hours at all SMA locations.

For the following exams:

General Xray:

Scoliosis xray on 1- image (SMA performs scoliosis on 2 images) can be done **at 888 S. Rancho only**

Leg length xray on 1-image (SMA performs leg length on 3 images) can be done **at 888 S. Rancho only**

EGD + Colonoscopy – Please refer to Gastroenterology

Cardiology Testing – Please refer to Cardiology.

Modified Barium Swallows (74230) – Please refer to Speech Therapy.

Radiology exams NOT provided at Southwest Medical Associates

CAT Scan:

Guided Biopsies

3-D Reconstruction

CTA – Arteriogram/Angiogram/Runoffs

**SMA performs CTA-Chest ONLY for pulmonary embolism and must follow the scheduling protocol (see below) (71275)

Patients over 400 lbs.

Patients requiring Sedation

Low Dose CT screenings

Any patient under 12 months old

FLUORO:

Exams for Urethral Stricture

Retrograde Urethrogram (**52005, 74420**)

Nephrostogram (**74425**)

Loopogram (**74425**)

Fistulogram (**75791**)

Cholecystogram (**74290, 74291**)

Sitz Marker Study (**99070**)

MRI-done at Steinberg Diagnostics

Nuclear Medicine and PET/CT-done at Steinberg Diagnostics

Ultrasound:

500 lb table weight limit

ABI – Arterial Brachial Artery Index (**93923**)

Appendicitis

Celiac Trunk + superior mesenteric Artery

Peripheral arterial (arm or leg) studies/Subclavian Arterial

US Guided biopsy/FNA

Plethysmography for venous insufficiency studies

Pyloric Stenosis for pediatric US of Abdomen

Venous mapping

US of Baby Hips (**76885, 76886**)

US of Sacrum for Sacral Dimple (**76857**)

US of Penis (**93980**)

US of Neonatal Heads (**76506, 76536**)

US Transcranial (**76506, 76536**)

US OB studies for size/dates/confirmation

US Prostate Studies (we do not do transrectal studies) (**76872, 76873**)

Hysterosonograms (**76831**)

Fibroscans/Liver Elastography

Musculoskeletal (Muscles, tendons etc.)

****CTA Chest PE scheduling protocol:** exam MUST be scheduled as STAT if looking for a NEW pulmonary embolism. If it is to follow up on a previously known PE, submit order/referral for normal scheduling. *To prevent order from being sent back to provider, Please note on order/referral that it is to follow up on a previous PE.