Appropriateness Criteria from the American College of Radiology

CLINICAL CONDITION: ORBITS, VISION AND VISUAL LOSS

Variant: Infant or child with orbital asymmetry, proptosis and visual loss.

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Rating Scale: 1, 2, 3 usually not appropriate; 4, 5, 6 may be appropriate; 7, 8, 9 usually appropriate

The DIS Radiology Advantage

- Subspecialists in neuroradiology, MRI, CT, thoracic, musculoskeletal and breast/body imaging.
- Five locations and more capacity to get patients in and out as quickly as possible.
- 3T ultra high field and 1.2T non claustrophobic high field MRI systems – the only outpatient imaging provider in the state with this service offering in Louisiana.
- Online patient registration and point-to-point driving directions for patients to find DIS quickly and easily.
- Test results turnaround usually within a business day – often available within hours.
- CT protocols in place for radiation dose reduction, maximum patient shielding and low-dose techniques.
- Significantly lower average list prices than area hospital-based imaging centers.

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