

FETAL DEMISE PROTOCOL & CONTACT INFORMATION

Required images for cases of fetal demise-

For all exams –

- Biometry for size and dating of the demise
- Documenting absent heart tones – M-mode, color and cine sweep while staying still on heart showing no activity.
- Cine sweep through entire fetus
- Document any obvious abnormalities

In addition to these images please include -

- **In 1st trimester** – Evaluate the uterus and ovaries but cine sweeps are fine, you do not need measurements unless there is an abnormality, cyst, dermoid, significant fibroids, etc
- **In 2nd/3rd trimester** –Document placental location and look for previa for delivery planning purposes. Uterus and ovary images are not needed.

In cases of fetal demise or suspected demise, try not to tell the patient this information. If the patient asks you directly whether you see a heartbeat or not, go ahead and tell them, and then say, “We are going to have our attending call your doctor’s office right now to see what they want you to do.” If a patient asks to talk to a Radiologist, have the Radiologist go into the room and talk with them.

If the patient does not ask, don’t tell them the results just show your case to the Radiologist and they will contact the ordering provider or one of the below phone numbers.

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Always attempt to call the OB Attending first. If there is not a prompt reply, call the clinic numbers below.

1. For MICC patients, call ordering physician or Triage RN at 8-2497 or MICC charge RN at 8-8532 if physician does not answer. (Other numbers- Genetic Counselor 8-9615, Teresa 8-5203)
2. For Roosevelt patients call the Front Desk at (206) 598- 7744 or 8-6130 – ask to overhead page or be transferred to available RN.
3. For UWP clinic patients call the RN -
 - Ravenna – (206) 520-1673 or (206) 520-1674
 - Shoreline – (206) 520-1864
 - South Lake Union- (206) 520-8546
4. For patients from other clinics (Northwest hospital included), have the radiologist call the ordering doctor to give the report.
 - Midwives at OPMC - (206) 668 - 6672
 - Women's Health at NWH - (206) 668 - 6557
 - Women's Health at OPMC - (206) 668 - 6102 or 6650
 - Women's Health at Ballard - (206) 668 - 7149 or 7140
 - Women's Health at Millcreek - (206) 668 - 4040
5. If it is an outpatient, after hours, the schedulers are supposed to get a phone number for a doctor that will be available when this is scheduled. If you and the Radiology resident cannot get ahold of the ordering doctor, the patient should be told the results by the resident and given the option of going to the ER.
6. If it is an ER case, just send the patient back to the ER and they can give the patient the news. The Radiologist will need to call and give report to the ER doctor.
7. If it is the early am, 7-8:30 am M-F, you should call the early fellow at 8-7458. They will be covering until a doctor shows up in the US reading room.

