10 SAFETY PRACTICES
FOR IMAGING SERVICES TEAMS

The Antioch Imaging Services team in Northern California eliminated patient-lifting and other workplace injuries by building safety into everyday work processes. Here's how:

For all unit-based team members

1	Assess whether assistance is needed before transferring or repositioning hospital patients.
2	Always perform difficult imaging procedures in pairs.
3	Ask for help when needed to safely complete difficult imaging procedures.
4	Call a timeout until help arrives.
5	Report unsafe conditions to a manager or safety leader immediately.
6	Encourage departments to develop their own "safety always" rules and principles.

For co-leads and sponsors

7	Get agreement from other departments to assist with lifting patients when additional help is needed.
8	Create a peer recognition program to honor and reward team members seen performing their duties safely.
9	Conduct safety rounds. Ask individual workers about their concerns and build trust by addressing them promptly.
10	Distribute a quarterly newsletter with safety alerts and tips to all members of all shifts.

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