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To: All staff involved in the care and assessment of brain tumor patients

From: Paul D. Brown, MD, Tony Asher, MD, and Kurt Jaeckle, MD (Study Chairs for protocol N0574)

Re: Protocol N0574: A phase III trial testing the role of whole brain radiotherapy (WBRT) in addition to radiosurgery in patients with one to three brain metastases

Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to inform you that N0574, a phase III trial testing the role of whole brain radiotherapy (WBRT) in addition to radiosurgery in patients with one to three brain metastases, is now open. This trial is of great interest since not only will it answer whether there is a survival benefit for adjuvant WBRT it will test whether quality of life and cognitive function is better (or worse) after adjuvant WBRT.

Two important issues:

- 1) Examiners (e.g. nurse, CRA, etc.) must complete the Neurocognitive Testing training online. This training is found on the NCCTG website, at <https://ncctg.mayo.edu/ncctg/> under "Disciplines," then under the "CRA page", then under "Training Videos." Once the video has been viewed, download the N0574 Neurocognitive Testing Verification Form and complete it as necessary, keeping a copy at the site and faxing a copy to Dr. Elana Farace, Ph.D. at 717-531-0748.
- 2) Centers must also complete the Radiological Physical Center (RPC) Questionnaire for Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS) with Gamma Knife or with Linear Accelerator **or** perform successful irradiation of the RPC SRS phantom. The questionnaire or phantom information is available on the RPC web site, <http://rpc.mdanderson.org> , under "Credentialing ." Complete this form and submit electronically on the RPC website.

Both items #1 and 2 must be completed (and registered with the CTSU or NCCTG) BEFORE patients may be enrolled on the study. Please allow at least two weeks for this process and confirm they have been registered before enrolling patients on this protocol. If these steps have not been completed before attempting to enroll a patient, the patient will be deemed ineligible and will have to be treated off study.

We are very excited about this protocol and if there are any questions please feel free to contact us.