



GAMMA KNIFE RADIOSURGERY REFERRAL & AUTHORISATION WORKFLOW

Netcare Milpark Hospital – Gamma Knife Unit

Practice Number: 5805090

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Referral Process

To ensure a seamless authorisation and scheduling process, all patients referred for Gamma Knife Radiosurgery should be accompanied by a completed SAOC or ICON application, together with all relevant clinical documentation. The referring doctor's practice remains responsible for submitting the initial authorisation request to the patient's medical scheme. To assist in expediting the approval process, the Gamma Knife Unit will also submit the authorisation request using the appropriate Netcare billing codes.

Please send all documentation to:

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Authorisation Codes

SAOC Practices

Professional Fee

(Billed by the Treating Radiation Oncologist)

Treatment

1–4 Fractions

5 or More Fractions

Professional Code

5860

5861

Technical Fee

(Billed by Netcare Milpark Hospital)

Treatment

1–4 Fractions

5 or More Fractions

Technical Code

5660

5661

ICON Oncology Practices

The following codes are generally used when completing an ICON application:

Description

Protocol / Tariff Code

Code

RT09





Important Notice for ICON Practices:

Please note that **Netcare Milpark Hospital is not an ICON-affiliated treatment facility** and therefore **cannot accept ICON billing codes** for treatment.

A completed **ICON application must still accompany the referral documentation**, as this assists with the medical scheme authorisation process.

Upon receipt of the referral, the Gamma Knife Unit will submit the authorisation request to the medical scheme using the appropriate Netcare Milpark billing codes.

Authorisation Process

Step 1 – Referring Practice

The referring doctor's practice should:

- Complete the SAOC or ICON application.
- Prepare all supporting clinical documentation.
- Submit the authorisation request to the patient's medical scheme using their standard practice processes.

Step 2 – Submit Referral to Netcare Milpark

Please email the following to the Gamma Knife Unit:

- Completed SAOC or ICON application
- Patient demographics
- Medical aid details
- Clinical motivation
- Prescription/script
- Histology report
- Previous MRI and/or CT scan reports

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Step 3 – Netcare Milpark Submission

Upon receipt of the referral documentation, the Gamma Knife Unit will:

- Submit the authorisation request to the patient's medical scheme using the appropriate Netcare billing codes.
- Liaise with the medical scheme should additional clinical information be required.





Step 4 – Authorisation Approval

Once authorisation has been approved:

- The approval letter will be shared with the referring doctor's practice.
- If the referring practice receives the approval first, kindly forward a copy to the Gamma Knife Unit to prevent delays in scheduling.

Step 5 – Treatment Planning and Scheduling

Once authorisation has been confirmed by the medical scheme:

- A Gamma Knife treatment date will then be scheduled based on both the treating specialist's availability and the availability of the Gamma Knife Unit.
- A planning MRI scan will be arranged.
- The patient will be contacted regarding the treatment date.

Please note: This document serves as a referral and medical scheme authorisation workflow only. The established Gamma Knife scope of work and clinical treatment protocols must be adhered to at all times when assessing, planning, and treating patients.

Our Commitment

The Gamma Knife Unit is committed to providing an efficient referral and authorisation process while working closely with referring specialists and medical schemes. Our team aims to minimise administrative delays, facilitate timely approvals, and ensure patients receive prompt access to Gamma Knife Radiosurgery. We value our collaborative relationships with referring practices and are dedicated to supporting a seamless patient journey from referral through to treatment scheduling.

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We appreciate your referral and look forward to assisting you and your patient through a streamlined authorisation and treatment process.

