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Purpose: To ensure that primary pathologist performing frozen section has access to expert subspecialist consultation.

Policy: That pathologist performing frozen section at anytime has available access to subspecialist opinion as needed.

Procedure: It is the responsibility of the primary pathologist to seek second opinion as needed during frozen section review.

All subspecialists in the different subspecialty groups can be called upon to review and render second diagnostic opinion at anytime.

It is the responsibility of the primary pathologist to call upon the appropriate daily, designated subspecialist, if the designated lead subspecialist for the particular subspecialty group is not available, the next available subspecialist or most senior pathologist, maybe called upon and has a responsibility to attend the frozen section.

It is the responsibility of the primary pathologist:

- To verify type, location and patient's information
- To submit appropriate sections for frozen sections
- To document the consensus diagnosis
- To inform the surgeon of the consensus diagnosis
- To complete the frozen report and ensure that the report is duly signed by both the primary pathologist and the subspecialist or reviewing second pathologist.

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