Inquiry Process at CPT

Request for treatment from referring doctor or patient

Per E-mail (protontherapie@psi.ch)
or telephone (+41 56 310 35 24)

First check of diagnosis against insurance-approved indication list for treatment

Patient refused?

yes

Contact physician or patient; explain refusal and recommend alternative treatments

no

Prepare case for medical evaluation:
* register patient
* request reports and images

Present case at tumor board: discussion and decision by the board of certified oncologists

Patient refused:
• medical reason
• technical or capacity reasons

Inform referring physician and/or patient; invite patient for first consultation and treatment planning

Patient accepted for treatment

Further information and/or examinations are required for a profound medical decision

First consultation at PSI:
• talk between patient and attending radiation oncologist about the course of treatment and potential side effects;
• treatment preparation: moulage and planning CT, MRI

Logistical issues:
• Confirmation of cost coverage
• Book accommodations during treatment
• Appointment for start of treatment

Start of treatment: application of first fraction

Timeline

Day/Week 0

Day 1-7

Week 2-4

Yes, patient cannot be treated

If technical or other problems?

no

Contact referring physician or patient; explain refusal and recommend alternative treatments

Usually, Week 4-10, depending on medical necessity or capacity constraints