

HIP TO ANKLE/LEG LENGTH

ROUTINE: AP of entire lower extremity from hip to ankle.

***Hip to Ankle/Leg Length exams should only be done at sites that have a long leg CR cassette or that can stitch DR images.**

DISTANCE: 96"

BUCKY: No

FOCAL SPOT: Large

IMAGING PLATE: Long femoral CR cassette

CENTRAL RAY: Perpendicular to the IR.

HELPFUL POSITIONING:

Have patient stand on hindfoot alignment board with cassette edge on floor in front of wall stand.

Position patient so patellae are facing forward.

Measure through the lumbar spine area.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

If the patient has a large belly, have them pull up to flatten their belly. Make sure to have their hands out of the way of the hips.



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