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To: Robert and Beverly Lewis Center for Neuroimaging (LCNI) Users
From: Fred Sabb, Director, LCNI; and Nick Allen FAC Chair

CC: David Conover, Vice President for Research and Innovation (VPRI) 
Cass Moseley, Senior Associate Vice President for Research and Innovation (VPRI)
Stacy Williams-Wright, Divisional Budget Director (VPRI)
Melodi Jayne, Business Manager, Research Core Business Services (RCBS)

Re: FY 20 Rates

The 2018/9 LCNI Faculty Advisory Committee (N. Allen, A. Lobben, J. Pfeifer, N. Giuliani, and I. Greenhouse), the Vice President of Research and Innovation, David Conover, along with the Director (F. Sabb) would like to share the following rates with you for the upcoming fiscal year.

As we prepare for the future and a significantly expanding user-base as well as an aging magnet, we are re-structuring our rates and services in order to meet service and sustainability needs as well as compliance with federal guidelines. This will include rate increases for several of our services effective July 1st, 2019, as well as the introduction of a new service for unstaffed scan time, which is highlighted below (along with other changes to our existing services). We will be making a strong push to train operators so that all labs can access the new unstaffed rate. Also of note, we will be modifying our staffed/unstaffed schedule to incentivize more seldomly used slots:

Off hours will continue to be scans finishing by 10a or starting at 4p or later on weekends/holidays, but weekdays, off-hours rates will be applied scans starting at 5.30p or later or those finishing before 9a. We may adjust these times as we see the impact on business and staffing. We may pilot this schedule before July 1, so I will keep you updated.

I am happy to discuss the impact with anyone individually. Please contact me any questions or comments. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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LCNI Services and Rates

1. Staffed Research Scan Rate (internal: \$565/hr; external: \$750/hr)

Scan rate for researchers. This service includes use of the magnet and console room and all associated peripherals. It includes an LCNI approved operator to run the magnet. The operator will not be expected to run functional paradigms or handle data beyond pushing it to the DICOM server. A member of the research team, who is safety approved by LCNI, is required to be present at all times. Any scan staffed by LCNI regardless of schedule will be charged for this service.

2. Unstaffed Prime-time Research Scan Rate (internal: \$500/hr; external: \$735/hr)

Scan rate for researchers. This service includes use of the magnet and console room and all associated peripherals. Two members of the research team, who are safety approved by LCNI, are required to be present at all times. One member must also be operator-approved by LCNI.

3. Off-hours Research Scan rate (internal \$400/hr; external \$588/hr)

Scan rate for researchers conducting scanning outside normal business hours. This is defined as scans that end before 9a or start at/after 5.30p on week days and scans that end before 10a or start at/after 4p on weekends/holidays. This service includes use of the magnet and console room and all associated peripherals. Two members of the research team, who are safety approved by LCNI, are required to be present at all times. One member must also be operator-approved by LCNI.

4. Contract/Corporate Research Scan Rate (external only: \$835/hr)

Research scan rate for external groups not directly handling their data. This includes the same features as the regular research rate, but unlike basic research scans, LCNI staff completely handles scanning protocol (including functional paradigms), no researchers are required to be present. This does not include data processing or analysis but does include data packaging and uploading to an external server.

5. Extended R&D (internal: \$50/hr; external \$75/hr)

This enhanced level of service for development of novel paradigms and complex experiments includes additional help from staff to get tasks working and includes paradigm development/tweaking for the MR environment. It also includes access to the magnet for testing if needed.

6. Coil Design and Fabrication (internal \$80/hr; external: \$200/hr)

This service includes LCNI staff time for developing plans and building novel coils for research use.

7. Mock scanner use (internal: no charge; external \$45/hr)

This service includes use of the mock scanner room and all associated equipment and peripherals for participant acclimation or pre-testing.

8. External Rate for UO Faculty Conducting Research on campus (\$825/hr)

Scan rate for research being conducted primarily on campus by faculty with a primary appointment at the UO, but where the scan money is held externally will be subject to a rate of \$825/hr to recoup indirect costs. This service includes full use of the center facilities and personnel to run the magnet. The scan operator will not be expected to run functional paradigms or conduct pre-processing/analysis. A member of the research team, who is safety approved by LCNI, is required to be present at all times.

9. Analysis/Training Support for External Users (\$110/hr)

Rate for External users only. This service includes full access center personnel for analysis and training support. The director and potential client will work out a specification for expected number of hours of contribution by each staff member ahead of time to support data handling, pre-processing, analysis and/or training in these techniques. Internal users can request analysis and training support through FTE buy-out of LCNI staff.