IAC MRI Releases Changes to Standards

FEBRUARY 1, 2013 | As an accreditation organization, IAC MRI is committed to maintaining a program that balances the changing needs of both the MRI community and the general public by influencing the quality of patient care provided. The IAC Standards and Guidelines for MRI Accreditation are the most important component of that commitment. Composed by physicians, physicists and technologists from the sponsoring organizations, the Standards are reviewed periodically by the Board of Directors and revised as needed.

Beginning in 2012, the IAC introduced a process for making revisions to the Standards inclusive of a 60-day public comment period. These Standards represent the first version to undergo a comment period for MRI facilities. All submitted comments were reviewed by the Board of Directors and modified, as needed, prior to the publication of these Standards.

Access the Standards
View the new IAC Standards and Guidelines for MRI Accreditation on the IAC MRI website. Standards that are highlighted are content changes that were made as part of the February 1, 2013 revision. Download the 2013 IAC Standards and Guidelines for MRI Accreditation>>

Key Revisions to the IAC Standards for MRI
The majority of changes are a clarification or explanation of the previous Standards, however, in some instances the requirements have been modified. Key modifications include:

• Technical Director - Responsibilities (Applicable Standard 1.2.2.1Aii)
• Instrumentation and Equipment - Equipment Quality Control (Preventive Maintenance) (Applicable Standard 1.4B)
• Quality Improvement Meetings (Applicable Standard 3.2C)

The new IAC Standards and Guidelines for MRI Accreditation become effective February 1, 2013. Applications submitted after February 1, 2013 must be in compliance with the new Standards.