



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*.