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CATEGORY: PRACTICE

SUBJECT: STAFFING STANDARDS - MAGNETIC RESONANCE
IMAGING FACILITIES

POSITION

STATEMENT: It is the position of the Association that for Magnetic Resonance Imaging facilities operating up to 16 hours a day, a minimum of four (4) Magnetic Resonance (MR) Technologists are required to ensure efficiency, safety and effectiveness.

RATIONALE: The position is based on research of all MR facilities conducted in 2003 and consensus of the MR community who provided evidence associated with risk management, technologist job conditions and quality management issues.

IMPORTANT

CONSIDERATIONS: The MRI facility is one in which the technology is demanding, the case load high along with the risk factor for the operator and patient.

The standard takes into effect the need to staff for:

1. Supervision
2. Administration
3. Logistical demands
4. Safety
5. Case type
6. Referrals

The type of patient examined may require more than the minimum 4 FTEs.

REFERENCES: Submissions to regulate MR by the Regulatory College and this Association.