Computed Tomography (CT) Rule Making - 2nd Meeting
September 30, 2013
Washington State Department of Health, Office of Radiation Protection

Attendees

Committee Members ☒ = Present

Radiologic Technologists			
☒	Chuck	Cromwell	Group Health Cooperative
☐	Chris	McIntire	Meridian Pavilion
☒	Tamara	Sloan	Providence, St Mary Medical Center, Walla Walla
Radiology Manager			
☐	Marcy	Parsons	Group Health Cooperative
☐	Bart	Thompson	Good Samaritan Hospital
☒	Angela	Steinbach	Inland Imaging
Rural Hospitals			
☒	Steven B.	Schindler	Providence Stevens County Ministries
☐	Joy	Iverson	Summit Pacific Medical Center
Medical Doctors			
☐	Marie	Lee	Virginia Mason Clinic Dept Radiology
☒	Jonathan	Medverd	Washington State Radiological Society
☐	William P.	Shuman	University of Washington
☒	Jonathan	Swanson	Seattle Children's Hospital
Medical Physicists			
☒	Jeremy L.	Corwin	Corwin Health Physics Inc
☒	John	Gough	Swedish Medical Center
☒	Kalpana M	Kanal	University of Washington
☒	Larry	Neubauer	Neubauer Medical Physics
☐	Gene	Wollan	Health Physics Northwest
Mobile CT			
☐	John	Connolly	Alliance Imaging

Attendees – continued

Committee Members ☒ = Present

Hospital Administrators			
☒	Vergil	Cabasco	Washington State Hospital Association
☒	Jennifer	Brown	Seattle Cancer Care Alliance
☐	Mark	Kochan	Evergreen Health
☒	Diane	Patterson	Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital
☒	Jim	Sapienza	MultiCare Health Systems

Department of Health Staff

Michelle Austin	Scott Mantyla
Vicki Bouvier	Richard Montemarano
Sarah Clark	Mike Odlaug
Sue Gragg	Barb Runyon
Kim Kelley	Mark Soltman
Randi Lisle	Daniel Van Gent

Guests

- Matt Brien, Medical Physicist, for Gene Wollan, Health Physics Northwest
- Colleen Cadieux, for Bart Thompson, Good Samaritan Hospital, Radiology Manager

I. Welcome and objective for the day

II. Review and approve of July 25, 2013 meeting minutes

a. Approved by the CT Advisory Committee; no changes to be made.

III. Review draft rule language and issue submittal forms

a. Protocol Review (WAC 246-226-050)

i. Issue Submittal Form Presentation (Bart Thompson)

1. The CT Advisory Committee agrees to change protocol review from 6 months to 12 months.
2. Vicki Bouvier is leaving all other items open for discussion

b. Personnel Qualifications (WAC 246-226-080)

i. Issue Submittal Form Presentation (Bart Thompson and Vergil Cabasco)

1. Vicki Bouvier met with Attorney General for the Division of Environmental Public Health who confirmed that under Title 18, we cannot require continuing education although we do have the authority to require Post Primary CT certification.
2. The CT Advisory Committee agreed that RT's should be ARRT certified along with a Post Primary Certification in CT and Radiologists should be required to be licensed. This will be a significant public health benefit for higher standards in CT use.
    a. Concerns: Smaller or rural areas may have a harder time meeting scanning requirements and if a RT has a certain amount of years of CT experience, will they have the ability to be "grandfathered-in" into to the program as long as they are able to meeting the training/ testing requirements.
3. The CT Advisory Committee agrees that they will need additional information from the Department of Health on how many RT's are already ARRT certified in Washington State and where they are located. Susan Gragg will retrieve the numbers and present at the next CT Advisory Committee meeting.

c. Facility Accreditation (WAC 246-226-040)

i. Issue Submittal Form Presentation (Bart Thompson)

1. The CT Advisory Committee agrees upon " requiring" ACR or IAC accreditation and if a facility cannot meet the needs to be accredited, they will then be required to follow the minimum standards of Washington State qualifications.
2. ACR, IAC, and Joint Commission Crosswalk
    a. Jonathan Medverd, Vergil Cabasco, and Kalpana Kanal have volunteered to work on the crosswalk between all three accreditations and will work with Mike Odlaug to establish and present the common standards and will be the key players in deciding on appropriate standards to use in rule language.
    b. The Department of Health can write the rules either to list specific standards or to make the standards vague and flexible as time passes.

d. Adverse Event Reporting (WAC 246-226-010)

i. Issue Submittal Form Presentation (Vergil Cabasco)

1. Vicki Bouvier met with Attorney General for the Division of Environmental Public Health who confirmed that under RCW 70.89, we do have rights to collect event reporting's, but they will be subject to a public disclosure by the public.
2. The CT Advisory Committee agrees to remove the existing event definition on draft rule language and define what the Department of Health is "looking for" in a deterministic event. The CT Advisory Committee also agrees to change the name "Root Cause Analysis" to "Investigation".

e. Additional Agenda Items:

i. Dose Reporting (WAC 246-226-050)

1. The CT Advisory Committee agrees not to follow California's law requirements. Department of Health staff will revise draft rule language per discussion.

ii. Scope (WAC 246-226-005)

IV. Next Steps

a. Subcommittee Topics

i. Accreditation crosswalk
ii. Scope of CT regulations
iii. Personnel qualifications

b. Set date of next CT Advisory Committee Meeting- 3rd meeting

i. The Department of Health will reschedule the October 28, 2013 CT Advisory Committee meeting to sometime in mid-November using Doodle. In-between now and next meeting the CT Advisory Committee and Department of Health staff will work through subcommittee meetings.
ii. The date most attendees are available will be announce to the CT Advisory Committee and posted to website along with all revised documents.