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Physicists' Responsibilities

Purpose: To define the physicist's qualifications and responsibilities.

Physicists' Qualifications

Physicists who perform annual surveys of mammography equipment and participate in the department's mammography Quality Assurance program must meet the qualifications defined in Section 900.12(a) (3) of the Mammography Quality Standards.

- A. The following documentation shall be maintained in the Diagnostic Imaging department for each physicist:
 1. State license or documentation of approval
 2. Board Certificate
 3. Copy of degree in physical science
 4. Documentation of training and experience in surveying mammography equipment
 5. Current CME certificates
 6. Documentation of continuing experience
- B. Physicists who fail to maintain qualifications must show proof that qualifications have been re-established prior to performing evaluations of mammographic equipment.

PHYSICIST'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Physicists who perform quality control and survey mammography equipment shall perform the duties defined in Section 900.12(d) (1) (iii), 900.12 (d)(2), and 900.12(d)(5) of the Mammography Quality Standards.

The physicist shall be responsible for:

- A. Performing annual surveys of mammographic equipment.
- B. Working with the lead interpreting physician and QC technologist to ensure that mammography policies and procedures, mammography quality control, employee qualifications, and equipment safety are maintained as required by Section 900.12 of the Mammography Quality Standards.

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