

IONISING RADIATION (MEDICAL EXPOSURE) REGULATIONS (IR(ME)R) AWARENESS TRAINING FOR NON-MEDICAL REFERRERS

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Are you a nurse or allied health professional who would like to be considered as an IR(ME)R Referrer in your local practice? Are you already an IR(ME)R duty holder, who requires an update on the revised regulations?

The Ionising Radiation (Medical Exposure) Regulations (IR(ME)R) allow non-medical (as well as medical) personnel to request clinical imaging examinations, as long as that person is a registered healthcare professional. Most UK clinical imaging departments will not give IR(ME)R entitlement to individuals until they have had some form of awareness training – this study day provides that training.

By the end of the day, delegates will:

- Recognise the legal and professional responsibilities associated with being an IR(ME)R Referrer duty holder
- Be aware of the requirements for local IR(ME)R Employer's Procedures
- Comprehend the various radiation exposure reactions of human tissue and how to ameliorate these
- Be aware of the best clinical imaging examinations for typical patient disorders and diseases
- Appreciate the need for local scope of practice with potential limitations in referring

This programme will be suitable for nurses and AHPs (probably at advanced practice level) who wish to be considered as IR(ME)R Referrers, or for those who are already IR(ME)R duty holders.

PROGRAMME

- 09:15 Registration and Refreshments
- 09:45 Welcome and Opening Remarks
Maria Murray, Professional Officer (Radiation Protection), The Society and College of Radiographers
- 09:55 Scene Setting
Lynda Johnson, Professional Officer Clinical Imaging, The Society and College of Radiographers
- 10:05 Radiation Protection Issues: Why Nurses and AHPs Require Training in this Area
Maria Murray, Professional Officer (Radiation Protection), The Society and College of Radiographers
- 10:25 Health Effects of Ionising Radiations
Andrew Scally, Senior Lecturer, School of Clinical Therapies, University College Cork
- 11:05 Tea and Coffee
- 11:35 IR(ME) Regulations Overview, including 'Employer's Procedures'
Yvonne Sullivan, Senior Clinical Diagnostic Officer, Public Health England
- 12:00 Advanced Clinical Practice
Clare Sutherland, Senior Advisor ACP NHS E/I, Corporate Lead for Advanced Practice UHDB, Associate Dean for wider workforce, HEE East Midlands, University Hospitals Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust
- 12:20 Plenary
- 12:40 Lunch
- 13:40 Overview of Relevant Clinical Imaging Modalities: Making the Best Use of Clinical Radiology
Dr Denis Remedios, Consultant Radiologist, Northwick Park Hospital, Harrow
- 14:25 IR(ME)R Referrers: Roles and Responsibilities
Rachael Ward, IR(ME)R Inspection Manager, Care Quality Commission
- 14:50 Tea and Coffee
- 15:20 The Business Case for Becoming a Referrer
Lynda Johnson, Professional Officer Clinical Imaging, The Society and College of Radiographers
- 15:40 Nurses/AHP Case Studies of IR(ME)R Referrers
Wendy Preston, Head of Nursing Practice, Royal College of Nursing
- 16:00 Plenary and Summary
- 16:30 Close

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