

RADIOGRAPHY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: June 9, 2010 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Topic	Discussion/Recommendations	Action
Welcome/Introductions	The minutes from the November 18, 2009 Advisory Committee Meeting were discussed.	After the introductions were completed, the minutes were tabled.
First Year Class Update	Twenty-three new first year students matriculated into the program this past January and nineteen remain for a retention rate of 83%. The program's retention continues to exceed the benchmark of 75%.	Since the retention rate is above the program's benchmark of 75%, no action is needed at this time.
Second Year Class Update	Twenty-two students matriculated into the program back in January of 2009 and eighteen remain for a retention rate of 82%.	Since the retention rate is above the program's benchmark of 75%, no action is needed at this time.
Graduate Update		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment Results 	Fifteen of eighteen graduates from class of 2008 were able to find gainful employment within the field for an employment rate of 83%.	This field is experiencing a very tight job market in Pinellas County and across the entire country. This trend will be closely monitored to ensure proper student enrollment.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labor Market Analysis 	The 2010-2011 Workforce Region 14 labor market data was reviewed.	It was concluded that their data does not necessarily coincide with anecdotal reports of job opportunities in Pinellas County.
ARRT Curriculum	The CT clinical rotation has been suspended by the ARRT. They will make a revised recommendation in 2011.	All plans to implement a CT clinical rotation during the fall semester have been suspended.
All Children's Hospital Rotation	Changing the ACH rotation from 2 to 3 weeks has thus far proven to be a successful program modification.	We will continue to monitor the efficacy of this rotation.
Equipment Recommendations	There were no suggestions for additional equipment for the program.	We will continue to assess program equipment needs on an annual basis.
Program Mission Statement & Goals	The mission statement and goals were reviewed.	There were no recommendations for revision.

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JRCERT Site Visit Results	<p>The recent site visit by the JRCERT was an overwhelming success thanks to the efforts of all involved. Their report of findings will reflect that the program did not incur a single citation or recommendation.</p> <p>The program staff would like to extend their sincerest gratitude to all of our clinical instructors, clinical staff radiographers and members of the advisory committee for the work that do to help our students succeed in their chosen profession.</p>	The final program report will be received sometime in the early fall.
Digital Radiography	John gave a PowerPoint presentation on the nuances of how computer algorithms control image contrast for digital radiography. This was followed by a discussion on optimum kVp and patient exposure for CR and DR.	The committee recommended that we begin instructing second year students to increase their kVp values for all examinations using CR and DR by 10 kVp. This change will be discussed at our next Clinical Instructor/Faculty member meeting and will be implemented during the fall semester.
Fall Advisory Meeting	The next meeting will be held at the Health Education Center in November.	None noted.