



Committee Report
SNMMI Board of Directors
January 2013
Quality Assurance Committee

Committee Charges for 2013:

- Promote quality in the practice of nuclear medicine as directed by the House of Delegates. Direct the SNMMI's Quality Assurance Committee Proficiency Testing Program (PTP) and ensure timely distribution of the 2014 exercise to all participants. Oversee ongoing development of future phantoms and phantom exercises.
- Fulfill the Quality Assurance Committee's commitment by completing the 2013 Parathyroid patient simulator analysis, scoring and remediation in the VA's 2013 fiscal year, so there is no overlap with the 2014 Bone SPECT patient simulator that will ship on Oct 1, 2013.

Current Working Objectives/Goals (please reference Strategic Plan):

- To develop, implement and maintain quality assurance programs that foster continuing improvement of the quality of nuclear medicine practice.
- To further explore the possibility of phantom exercises as an MOC part IV activity.

Progress of Charge/Objectives/Goals to Date:

- The Quality Assurance Committee successfully completed the 2012 Cardiac Patient Simulator (Phantom) and all result letters have been sent out to the appropriate sites. The remediation process has been completed.
- The 2013 Parathyroid Patient Simulator was shipped on Oct 1, 2012 and was due on November 21, 2012 to Jessica Lloyd for data processing.
- The VA received SAM's credits through ABNM.
- Launched a marketing campaign to individually sell Patient Simulators (Phantoms) to hospitals, labs, etc. Worked with IAC and ASNC to promote the campaign by email blasts and flyers. The Patient Simulator web link is here:
<http://interactive.snm.org/index.cfm?PageID=1044>

Additional Goals/Objectives Added for 2013-2014:

- Phase the patient simulator program results packet submissions into an online process. This will enable SNMMI to collect and distribute the data more efficiently.
- Create a detailed plan for the Quality Assurance Committee that includes and designates all members to specific tasks and tentative deadlines.