

Docket File Information
SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT
AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE St. Louis ConnectCare REPORT NUMBER(S) 2006-001		2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE Region III	
3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 030-28715	4. LICENSE NUMBER(S) 24-24518-01	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION September 22, 2006	
6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 87130	7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS 03.01 - 03.08		

SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION

1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 02121	2. PRIORITY 5	3. LICENSEE CONTACT Jess Poblete, M.D., RSO	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 314-261-2271 x4119
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Main Office Inspection Next Inspection Date: **Sept. 2011**

Field Office _____

Temporary Job Site _____

PROGRAM SCOPE

The licensee was an outpatient nuclear medicine clinic located in St. Louis, Missouri. Licensee had authorization to use byproduct materials under Sections 35.100 and 35.200. Licensed activities were conducted only at the location indicated on the license. The nuclear medicine department was staffed with one full-time nuclear medicine technologist. The technologist typically administered 150 diagnostic doses monthly, primarily technetium-99m for cardiac and other studies. In addition, the licensee performed studies using iodine-123 capsules. All doses were received as unit doses from a licensed radiopharmacy. All waste was held for decay-in-storage or returned to the radiopharmacy. The facility was closed on Monday and was open for only limited hours on Friday.

Performance Observations

The inspector was unable to observe any diagnostic administration of licensed material. Licensee personnel demonstrated dose calibrator constancy tests; dose preparation, administration, and disposal; survey meter QC; package receipt surveys; and daily contamination surveys. In addition, licensee staff described weekly contamination surveys and package return surveys. The inspector found no concerns with these activities. Interviews with licensee staff indicated sufficient knowledge of radiation safety procedures. Radiation surveys indicated radiation levels consistent with licensee survey records and postings.

The previous inspector noted concerns with staffing and funding; the licensee was using temporary personnel as technologists and had shut down for a period of two months due to lack of funding. The inspector determined that the current technologist had been employed by the licensee for over three years. In addition, licensee personnel stated that facility funding was more stable, and the facility had not had such funding issues since the last inspection.

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