

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED: Internal Medicine Consultants, LLC 456 North New Ballas Road St. Louis, Missouri 63141 REPORT NUMBER(S) 2009-001	2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE Region III U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210 Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351	
3. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 030-36388	4. LICENSEE NUMBER(S) 24-32472-01	5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION May 15, 2009

LICENSEE:
 The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are as follows:

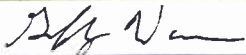
- 1. Based on the inspection findings, no violations were identified.
- 2. Previous violation(s) closed.
- 3. The violation(s), specifically described to you by the inspector as non-cited violations, are not being cited because they were self-identified, non-repetitive, and corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy, NUREG-1600, to exercise discretion, were satisfied.

_____ Non-Cited Violation(s) was/were discussed involving the following requirement(s) and Corrective Action(s):

 4. During this inspection certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements and are being cited. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.
 (Violations and Corrective Actions)

Licensee's Statement of Corrective Actions for Item 4, above.

I hereby state that, within 30 days, the actions described by me to the inspector will be taken to correct the violations identified. This statement of corrective actions is made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 (corrective steps already taken, corrective steps which will be taken, date when full compliance will be achieved). I understand that no further written response to NRC will be required, unless specifically requested.

Title	Printed Name	Signature	Date
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE			
NRC INSPECTOR	Geoffrey M. Warren		5/15/09

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6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 87130		7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS 03.01 – 03.08	

SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION

1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 02201	2. PRIORITY 5	3. LICENSEE CONTACT Matthew S. Bosner, M.D., RSO	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 314-569-1090
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Main Office Inspection Next Inspection Date: May 2014

Field Office _____

Temporary Job Site Inspection _____

PROGRAM SCOPE

The licensee was a cardiology clinic located in St. Louis, Missouri, with authorization to use byproduct materials in Sections 35.100, 35.200, and 35.300. 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 licensee's nuclear medicine staff typically administered 100 diagnostic doses monthly. Doses were exclusively cardiac studies using unit doses received from a licensed nuclear pharmacy; most were technetium-99m, though thallium-201 doses were occasionally used when necessary. All waste was either held for decay-in-storage (DIS) or returned to the nuclear pharmacy.

Performance Observations

The inspector observed two diagnostic administrations of licensed material, including dose preparation and disposal, as well as dose calibrator constancy, survey meter and wipe counter QC, package receipt surveys and wipes, and noted no concerns with the activities. Licensee staff demonstrated daily and weekly radiation surveys, and described the stress portion of cardiac stress tests. Interviews with licensee personnel indicated adequate knowledge of radiation safety concepts and procedures. The inspector performed independent and confirmatory radiation measurements which indicated results consistent with licensee survey records and postings.