



Materials Inspection Report

1. Licensee/Location Inspected:

Department of Veterans Affairs, Under Secretary for Health;
VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System
6900 North Pecos Road
North Las Vegas, Nevada 89086

Report Number(s) 2026-002

2. NRC/Regional Office

Region III
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210
Lisle, IL 60532-4352

3. Docket Number(s)

030-34325

4. License Number(s)

03-23853-01VA

5. Date(s) of Inspection

June 30, 2026

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. During this inspection, certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements, and were assessed at Severity Level IV, in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy.

A. 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, corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy were satisfied.

(Non-cited violation(s) was/were discussed involving the following requirement(s))

B. The following violation(s) is/are being cited in accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.
(Violations and Corrective Actions)

Statement of Corrective Actions

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 AND DATE
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE		
NRC INSPECTOR	Jason Dykert	JASON DYKERT Digitally signed by JASON DYKERT Date: 2026.07.07 07:22:49 -07'00'
BRANCH CHIEF	Rhex Edwards	 Digitally signed by RHEX EDWARDS Date: 2026.07.14 14:43:07 -05'00'



Materials Inspection Record

1. Licensee Name: Department of Veterans Affairs		2. Docket Number(s): 030-34325		3. License Number(s) 03-23853-01VA	
4. Report Number(s): 2026-002			5. Date(s) of Inspection: June 30, 2026		
6. Inspector(s): Jason Dykert		7. Program Code(s): 3614		8. Priority: 2	9. Inspection Guidance Used: 87130
10. Licensee Contact Name(s): Clint Abell, Director, VA National Health Physics Program (NHPP)		11. Licensee E-mail Address: Clinton.Abell@va.gov		12. Licensee Telephone Number(s): VA Cell Phone: (501) 708-5013	
13. Inspection Type: ☒ Routine ☐ Announced ☐ Non-Routine ☒ Unannounced		14. Locations Inspected: ☐ Main Office ☒ Field Office ☐ Temporary Job Site ☐ Remote		15. Next Inspection Date (MM/DD/YYYY): n/a ☐ Normal ☐ Extended ☐ Reduced ☒ No change	
16. Location(s) Inspected List: VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System, 6900 North Pecos Road, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89086					
17. Scope and Observations: This was an unannounced inspection of VA permit 27-00593-01, a medical facility performing diagnostic imaging (35.100 and .200) for the greater Las Vegas, NV area. The hospital employed numerous radiation safety staff members, including a contracted RSO and a medical physics consultant, who reported to the Chief of Radiology and a Director of Imaging, assisted by a Safety Manager. There were 4 Nuclear Medicine Technologists (NMT) that took images of patients full time, approximately 8-15 patients per day. Only unit doses were utilized, both PET/CT and SPECT/CT images were read by ~6-7 primary Authorized User medical doctors. A Radiation Safety Committee of the above staff met to ensure safe and secure use of radioactive materials and x-ray producing equipment. Nuclear medicine was within the radiology department and opened at 6:30am, staff were onsite a little earlier to calibrate equipment and cameras. One hot lab was secured within the department. The inspector observed staff performing radiation safety duties, including materials package receipts and check in, area surveys, daily QC on the dose calibrator to measure activity of doses, administration of those doses while using shielding, wearing of dosimetry monitoring, and controlling how unsealed materials were touched/handled or prepped for administration. The inspector interviewed NMT's and radiology staff regarding their training, experience, and work practices. The inspector noted that the NMT staff were experienced and proficient. The hospital maintained appropriate calibrated survey instrumentation and performed measurements of areas where unsealed materials were used as required. The inspector performed independent surveys with a calibrated RadEyeG, s/n 30731, and observed appropriate postings and noted that dose rates were maintained ALARA. The inspector reviewed records with the safety manager and discussed program management. Dosimetry records for NMT staff showed dose less than 10% of annual limits. Records of sealed source leak tests, physical inventories, dose calibrator and survey instrument calibrations, material receipt and disposals, patient administrations, daily and weekly surveys, radiation safety and HAZMAT refresher training, quarterly physics audits and the RSO's reviews and annual audits were selectively reviewed without any issues identified.					

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No violations of NRC requirements were identified as a result of this inspection, an inspection exit/debrief was held with the hospital administration, the RSO, and radiology and NHPP staff the day of the inspection.

Signature and Date - Branch Chief



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