

Overview of ACMUI Activities

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Agenda

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ACMUI Purpose

- The ACMUI exists to advise the NRC staff, and thus you, the Commission, on policy on medical uses of radionuclides.
- Also, to provide technical assistance and serve as consultants.

Membership Positions

- Health Care Administrator
- Nuclear Medicine Physician
- 2 Radiation Oncologists
- Nuclear Cardiologist
- Diagnostic Radiologist
- 2 Medical Physicists*

- Nuclear Pharmacist*
- Radiation Safety
 Officer
- Patients' Right Advocate
- Agreement State
 Representative*
- U.S. FDA
 Representative

^{*} Pending security clearance

ACMUI Topics Addressed in Last Year

- T & E requirements for 35.100 uses (unsealed byproduct material for uptake, dilution, and excretion studies for which a written directive is not required)
- ME reporting for all modalities excluding permanent implant brachytherapy

ACMUI Topics (Continued)

- Clarification of patient intervention
- ME reporting and its impact on patient safety culture
- Guidelines for nursing mothers administered diagnostic and therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals

ACMUI Topics (Continued)

- Potential changes to the NRC's Patient Release Program
- Physical presence requirements for the Leksell Gamma Knife Icon
- Progress in improving ACMUI internal and external communications.

Current ACMUI Topics

- Continuing discussions:
 - T&E for AUs of all modalities (current focus on 35.300 uses)
 - Review of MEs
 - Impacts of ME reporting on patient safety culture

Current ACMUI Topics (Continued)

- Potential revisions to Regulatory Guide 8.39, "Release of patients administered radioactive materials"
- Ways to enhance communications between the NRC staff, the ACMUI, and the medical community.

Present and Future

The ACMUI currently has a number of issues under discussion. As new issues arise, including emerging technologies, we will address and provide advice on aspects relevant to safe handling of radioactive sources.

Acronyms

- ACMUI The Advisory Committee on Medical Uses of Isotopes
- AUs Authorized Users
- FDA U.S. Food and Drug Administration
- ME Medical Event
- NRC U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- T&E Training and Experience