

Diagnostic Radiology: Foundations EPA #8

Providing reports for acute and/or common findings of medical imaging studies

Key Features:

- This EPA focuses on the written communication skills of documenting the findings of imaging studies.
- This includes generating an accurate and concise report, and recommending appropriate management, next steps and/or follow-up.
- The observation of this EPA is based on the review of a single report, which must be solely the work of the resident.

Assessment Plan:

Review of report by staff radiologist, Core or TTP resident, or fellow

Use Form 1. Form collects information on:

- Body region: abdomen/pelvis; chest/cardiac; MSK; neuro
- Modality: CT; radiography; ultrasound; other
- Diagnosis: infection; neoplasm; trauma; vascular; other

Collect 12 observations of achievement

- At least 5 of each body region (any modality)
- At least 2 abdomen/pelvis CT
- At least 2 chest/cardiac CT
- At least 2 MSK CT
- At least 2 neuro CT
- At least 2 ultrasounds
- A variety of diagnoses
- At least 5 assessors
- At least 3 staff radiologists

CanMEDS Milestones:

- 1 ME 3.4 Summarize findings of clinical relevance**
- 2 ME 3.4 Generate an appropriate differential and most likely diagnosis**
- 3 COM 5.1 Use a systematic method of reporting, integrating clinical and imaging information**
- 4 COM 5.1 Provide clear, concise, accurate and grammatically correct reports**
- 5 COL 1.3** Convey information to clinicians in a manner that enhances patient management
- 6 COL 1.3** Convey diagnostic uncertainty, as needed

7 ME 2.4 Provide suggestions for further testing and/or patient disposition as relevant