

Via email on 1/10/12

To the Executive Officer
Our Submission

a) Do you agree with the proposed inclusion of at least one educationalist, at least one medical radiation academic, at least one medical radiation practitioner and at least one allied health sciences academic to the Committee?

If the term "educationalist" applies to a Tutor/Clinical Educator in the broad sense then yes. Medical radiation academics are also important as well as medical radiation practitioners and to a lesser extent an allied health sciences academic.

b) Do you think there should be additional sub-criteria for the selection of the above persons and if so what should they be?

The Committee should include one representative (Educationalist, Academic & Practitioner) from each MR group: MI, RT and NM

c) Do you think a Board member should be on the Accreditation Committee?

No

d) Do you think a community representative should be on the Accreditation Committee?

Yes BUT the Community it is representing is also the Medical Radiations Profession and a representative of the AIR Board should be a member of the committee.

e) How many members do you think the Committee should have?

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In considering the proposed membership, it should be noted that although including a Board member on the Accreditation Committee would facilitate communication between the Board and the Committee:

f) the National Law makes a clear intention to separate the regulatory and accreditation functions, and

What better way than with an External Accreditation Entity

g) Board members can be regarded as holding fiduciary positions *vis a vis* their Board, i.e. membership of a National Board requires primary allegiance to the Board. There may, therefore, be a conflict of interest if a Board member is also a member of the Accreditation Committee.

We agree wholeheartedly

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