

# Mammography Procedure Evaluation

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Patient ID \_\_\_\_\_ Mammographic Procedure \_\_\_\_\_

Clinical Facility \_\_\_\_\_

Course:            RAD3C            RAD4

*Initial MQSA requirements include, among other provisions, completion of 25 supervised mammography examinations. Documentation of completion is required by MQSA. ARRT requests confirmation that you completed these initial MQSA requirements. Keep a copy of all mammography procedure evaluations for your records.*

**E= Excellent      A= Acceptable      NI= Needs Improvement      U= Unacceptable      NA= Not Applicable**

Patient Care & Professionalism	E	A	NI	U	NA
1. Uses appropriate & effective written, oral & nonverbal communication					
2. Examines procedure orders for accuracy & makes corrections when applicable					
3. Executes x-ray procedures under appropriate level of supervision (25 direct supervision/75 indirect supervision)					
4. Demonstrates principles of assisting, transporting, transferring, positioning & immobilizing patients					
5. Utilizes radiation protection techniques					
6. Provides for patient comfort & cooperation by familiarizing the patient with the equipment & procedure, stressing the need for compression, & by providing general psychological support					
7. Solicits & records patient clinical history relevant to the performance & interpretation of the mammographic exam					
8. Applies standard & transmission based precautions, appropriate medical asepsis, & sterile technique					
9. Demonstrates competent assessment skills & documents location of lumps, scars, moles, etc. by means of radiopaque markers on breast and/or diagram on clinical information sheet					
10. Uses education strategies appropriate to the comprehension level of patient or family					
11. Answers questions on BSE, CSE, patient dosage, possible need for additional projections, ACS guidelines for screening mammography, & other breast imaging procedures knowledgeably					
12. Adapts procedure to meet age-specific, disease-specific & cultural needs of patient					
13. Properly addresses patient (e.g. Ms. Jones) & introduces herself to the patient by name					
14. Speaks to patient at eye level					
15. Allows patient to ask questions before & after the procedure					
16. Ensures the patient is not wearing lotion, deodorant, or powder prior to the exam & is able to explain the importance of complying with this preparatory step					
17. Assists patient in changing when necessary and/or provides adequate time for changing					
18. Maintains a clean, tidy environment of the room, equipment, & self					

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Technical Skills	E	A	NI	U	NA
19. Demonstrates appropriate level of understanding of procedures					
20. Competently operates mammography equipment					
21. Prepares room for mammographic procedure					
22. Accurately positions patient & equipment to provide projections specified by department protocol or requisition					
23. Selects equipment appropriate to the patient & the examination to be performed (e.g., image receptors, grids, compression plates, cassettes)					
24. Uses markers to document breast imaged & projection used					
25. Selects appropriate exposure factors based upon breast tissue density, patient's age, numerical compression scale & equipment characteristics with the lowest possible radiation exposure					
26. Completes procedure in timely manner					
27. Practices darkroom procedures resulting in radiographs of suitable quality					
28. Critiques images to assure they contain proper identification & are of diagnostic quality					
29. Determines corrective measures to improve inadequate images					
30. Demonstrates adequate computer skills & competence in using PACS					

Comments:

Clinical Instructor/Designee Signature \_\_\_\_\_