Oral Radioiodine Therapy administration FAQ

Standard: V.C.5.3: Clinical training must:

d. Provide a minimum of 700 hours (approximately four months) of documented training and experience in clinical nuclear medicine, which may include the required 80 hours of classroom and laboratory instruction (see V.B.5.4.c).

1. Each resident must participate with preceptors in at least three documented therapies involving oral administration of I-131 in quantities less than or equal to 33 millicuries (mCi) and at least three therapies in quantities greater than 33 mCi. Documentation of the resident’s participation must include the date, diagnosis, and dose of each I-131 therapy.

1. As with any therapeutic intervention, all participating residents for a given therapy must participate in all clinical aspects of the patient’s care for a given case, to include patient selection, informed consent, understanding and calculating the administered dose, counseling of patients and their families on radiation safety issues, safe radiation handling procedures and patient follow up.

2. Must document the date, diagnosis and dose for each therapeutic administration.

3. All cases must be for therapy, not simply for whole body imaging.