

JRCERT MAMMOGRAPHY POLICY TEMPLATE

To assist programs with transparency, the following template is offered as a "guideline" for developing and publishing a policy on student clinical rotations in mammography. The program's policy and the rationale for the policy change must be published to students and the public on the program's website. Programs are encouraged to consult with legal counsel regarding the development of the policy, as the JRCERT does not provide legal advice to program officials.

The radiography program sponsored by ______ has revised its policy, effective _____, regarding the placement of students in clinical mammography rotations to observe and/or perform breast imaging.

Under the revised policy students may request the opportunity to participate in clinical mammography rotations. The program will make every effort to place students in a clinical mammography rotation if requested; however, the program is not in a position to override clinical setting policies that restrict clinical experiences in mammography to students. Students are advised that placement in a mammography rotation is not guaranteed and is at the discretion of a clinical setting.

The change in the program's policy regarding student clinical rotations in mammography is based on the sound rationale presented in a position statement on student clinical mammography rotations adopted by the Board of Directors of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) at its April 2016 and October 2021 meetings. The JRCERT position statement is included as Addendum A to the program's policy and is also available on the JRCERT Web site, www.jrcert.org, Program Faculty, Program Resources.