QIBA FDG-PET/CT Tech Ctte Update Call
April 13, 2012 at 9 am CT
Call Summary

In attendance:

Paul Kinahan, PhD (co-chair)  
Richard Wahl, MD (co-chair)  
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Andrew Buckler, MS  
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Barbara Croft, MD  
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Joe Koudelik  
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Discussion regarding the Profile updates (Dr. Kinahan)

• Dr. Kinahan reviewed the updated version 06.1.1 of the Profile working document
• Acronyms section must still be populated
• Precise definition for SUV still needed
• Normative definitions also require some additional parameters
• An Executive Summary was added with updated diagram showing the Profile claim
• References are still needed for key statements, i.e., detection of malignant tumors
• Additional information regarding regulatory enforcement is needed
• Adding references for QIBA/ MITA position papers with expectations / guidelines for vendors suggested
• Vendor (i.e., actor) responsibilities need to be extremely clear within the Profile
• Common DICOM standards/ fields need to be implemented across vendor products
• Dr. Shao suggested creating a standard template/ spreadsheet for patient prep
  o Possible attachment to the Profile - would incorporate height, weight, software version, QA, etc.

New sections added
• Part IV – Compliance (technical specifications are new)
• Applications and Endpoints (must be updated for consistency)

More discussion needed
• Strength of the “carrot” under discussion to encourage QIBA compliance
• Consideration of a third-party broker for assessment of compliance
• QIBA compliance is positioned to be world-wide
• These items are currently under consideration by the QIBA Steering Committee
• Two articles were published in Radiology on collaboration and regulatory issues; however, it is always good to consider additional ways to spread the word regarding the value of the Profile

Next steps:
• Dr. Kinahan to incorporate edits from 4/13 call and circulate to the group for review prior to the next call
• Continue discussion of final Profile edits on next call prior to release for Public Comment
• Dr. Kinahan to add references and analysis as an appendix
• Dr. Kinahan to clarify some of the terms in the abbreviations and acronyms sections: SUV, SUVmax, etc.

Next call:  to continue discussion of the Profile at 9 am (CT), April 20th