QIBA Process Committee Call

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 3 p.m. CT Call Summary

Attendees:RSNA Staff:Kevin O'Donnell, MASc (Chair)Nicholas Petrick, PhDFiona MillerMichael Boss, PhD (Vice Chair)Daniel Sullivan, MDJoe KoudelikAlexander Guimaraes, MD, PhDSusan Stanfa

Biomarker Adoption Steps and Supporting Materials

- Process Cmte members were asked to review sections on conformance testing, record testing and communicating conformance for discussion; detail related to all discussions can be found in the Google Doc
- Step 6: "Communicate Conformance" was reviewed and feedback was provided
- There was discussion on defining and naming the two roles involved with conformance communication
 - o "Conformant actor(s)," e.g., products or sites that seek to satisfy the requestor
 - "The interested partner," solicitor of conformance, e.g., sites, core labs, clinical trials, physicians and scientists
 - o Facilitator(s), e.g., QIBA (to register conformant products/sites)
 - Discussion re: parties to include in "interested partner" list and reasons conformance might be solicited by each of them
- "What's happening" section:
 - Discussion re: basic or detailed audits and what each would entail as functions of the level of accreditation being done
 - Other considerations were discussed, e.g., sponsor of a clinical trial and their preferences, level of quality needed, how needs may change over time

Output documents

- QIBA registered cataloging self-attestations as a facilitator for convenience
- Discussion re: assessment results that may be sought for each level of conformance
 - Brief assessment (for basic audits): completed checklist, protocol used, numerical scores e.g., for noise/resolution metrics as stated in Profile, "Scoresheet," e.g. tumor volume worksheet for segmentation
 - Full assessment (for detailed audits): phantom images from device assessments, more detailed software output, logs that indicate staff who have been assessed on knowledge of/adherence to Profile requirements
 - Additional information re: ACR accreditation process may be helpful
 - Core Labs vet incoming site data e.g., QA, DICOM header checks, PET/CT, depends on stability
 QIB in question
 - It was noted that Profiles may be referenced for specific, ongoing QA requirements
 - Discussion re: practical frequency (recency) of performing conformance assessments
 - A data-driven determination may be cost-prohibitive to acquire
 - BC feedback needed re: a QIBA assessment cycle; a 3-5 years default was suggested based on QIBs
 - BCs may choose to align with the time sequence and other standard recommendations included in their respective QA Profile sections