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TOPIC: PRE TEST

TOPIC: Protection of Personnel: (028614 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Discuss the rationale for radiation protection.
- 2. Explain personnel dosimeters, dosimetry reports, and duties of the RSO.
- 3. Define and calculate the dose-limiting recommendations for PET/CT personnel.
- 4. Explain the basic structural shielding construction and list the items that influence this construction.
- 5. Describe how the PET/CT Technologist can decrease their radiation exposure during the patient preparation and scanning sequences.
- 6. Discuss how using distance can decrease radiation exposure.
- 7. Illustrate the Inverse Square Law.
- 8. Identify garments that can be worn to reduce radiation exposure and explain how each garment should be used.
- 9. QUIZ I:

TOPIC: Radiation Safety in PET Imaging: (028616 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Review cautions signs and labels.
- 2. Discuss the Do's and Don'ts in PET Radiation protection.
- 3. Examine the Receiving and Monitoring of Radioactive packages.
- 4. Discuss Radioactive waste disposal.

- 5. Explain how to clean up a radioactive spill.
- 6. Discuss recordkeeping principles.
- 7. QUIZ II:

TOPIC: PET Instrumentation: (028621 – SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. List detector crystals that can be used for PET Imaging and describe their properties.
- 2. Explain the fundamental operation of dedicated and Hybrid PET Scanners and their design.
- 3. Describe the detection of True, Scatter, and random events.
- 4. Describe Transmission imaging and its need and use in attenuation corrected images.
- 5. Characterize the visual presentation of non-attenuated and attenuated corrected images.
- 6. QUIZ III:

TOPIC: Acquisition, Processing, and Display of PET Images: (028622 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Discuss 2D and 3D acquisition protocols.
- 2. Discuss scan protocol parameters.
- 3. Review Whole-Body versus Total Body acquisition modes.
- 4. Discuss Dynamic Acquisition modes.
- 5. Define SUV and explain how it is calculated and used.
- 6. Discuss critical elements in generating quantitative measurements.
- 7. Describe the process of data reconstruction.
- 8. Discuss the implications of image fusion and describe the PET/CT Scanner.
- 9. QUIZ IV:

TOPIC: An Overview of PET Quality Control Procedures: (028623 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Discuss the daily quality control procedures performed on a Hybrid PET/CT Scanner.
- 2. Discuss the frequency of PET/CT Quality Control Procedures.
- 3. Analyze a typical Blank Scan.
- 4. Discuss Blank Scans.
- 5. Discuss Coincidence Timing Circuitry.
- 6. Review Singles.
- 7. Discuss Normalization
- 8. Discuss Well Counter Calibration.

9. QUIZ V:

TOPIC: Troubleshooting Image Artifacts in PET/CT: (028624 – SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Identify misregistration artifacts.
- 2. Review Patient Motion Artifacts.
- 3. Discuss Beam Hardening Artifacts.
- 4. Identify Contrast Material Artifacts.
- 5. Discuss Partial Volume Averaging Artifacts.
- 6. Review Equipment induced Artifacts.
- 7. Analyze Metal Artifacts.
- 8. Identify Ring Artifacts.
- 9. QUIZ VI:

TOPIC: Physics of Positrons and Production of PET Tracers: (028625 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Describe positron decay and the production of annihilation photons.
- 2. List positron emitting radionuclides and their properties.
- 3. Discuss Generator produced versus Cyclotron produced radionuclides.
- 4. Discuss the properties of Oxygen 15, Nitrogen 13, Carbon 11, and F-18.
- 5. QUIZ VII:

TOPIC: PET Radiopharmacy Quality Control: (028626 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

- 1. Discuss Radionuclidic Purity.
- 2. Discuss Radiochemical Purity.
- 3. Identify Chemical Impurities.
- 4. Discuss Microbiological Sterility Testing.
- 5. Discuss Pyrogen Testing.
- 6. Review the USP Quality Control requirements for F-18(FDG).
- 7. QUIZ VIII:

TOPIC: Lecture: PET Neurology: (028629 - SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Discuss the radiopharmaceuticals used in Brain PET imaging.
- 2. Review the methods of localization of F-18(FDG) in Brain PET.
- 3. Discuss the Contraindications associated with Brain PET scans.

- 4. Discuss patient preparation for Brain scan.
- 5. Review the procedure for a Brain PET scan.
- 6. Discuss proper patient history for a Brain PET scan.
- 7. QUIZ IX

TOPIC: Lecture: PET Neurology Indications and Preparation: (028630 -SNMTS 1.5 CEHs) 90 minutes

Objectives:

- 1. Review procedures for Cerebrovascular Disease.
- 2. Discuss Brain PET and Tumor imaging.
- 3. Review the procedures for diagnosing Epilepsy.
- 4. Discuss Brain PET and Parkinson's Disease.
- 5. Discuss diagnosing Dementia with PET.
- 6. Review Normal's and Abnormal case studies
- 7. QUIZ X

TOPIC: POST TEST

TOPIC: Course Evaluation

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