Criteria for CompTracker Entry

Required Image Critique Lines

Image Critique lines (IC lines) are a record of the student's highest quality work throughout clinical placement. The exams must be completed independently under the supervision of a certified technologist and presented at image critique sessions.

The examination must include all of the projections described in the routine procedure manual specific to the site where the examination was performed, unless otherwise specified.

To be eligible for entry as a required IC line the student must:

- have produced high quality images, unassisted,
- be able to critique the images,
- make recommendations for improvement in quality, when necessary,
- discuss patient care considerations,
- identify pathology demonstrated,
- demonstrate proper marker placement,
- include appropriate documentation.

Additional Image Critique Lines - Performed Exams

For each clinical placement there are eligible entries under a Performed Exams category in CompTracker. These are cases where the student has completed unassisted and/or with assistance under the supervision of a certified technologist.

To be eligible for entry as a performed exam the images must be of diagnostic quality and follow site protocol. The students will earn credit for approved performed exams.

This includes (but is not limited to) the following tasks:

- Double ID
- Setting the equipment and console
- Confirming the exam ordered
- Positioning the patient for all views, as per site protocol
- Centering, collimation, lead marker placement
- Breathing instructions (if required)
- Evaluating and sending images
- Dismissal of patient
- Documentation, as per site protocol

The student may be asked to:

- apply evaluation criteria theory,
- identify standards of image quality,
- distinguish unique image requirements of clinical site,
- apply critical thinking processes to improve image quality as required,
- integrate patient condition, pathology and image quality,
- evaluate technical factors selected