PRCT 358 – Clinical Placement 1

How to Gain Clinical Competencies

During clinical placement you are required to complete Body Part Competencies. There are 20 required competencies and 7 additional competencies to complete. See full list in the Logbook.

All competencies can be acquired during any clinical placement course but the additional competencies will only be used as a gradable component for PRCT 358. For details on the number of required competencies for the current semester please refer to the marking scheme in the Course Content on Eden brook.

To attempt a body part competency you must first have a minimum of one Image Critique (IC) logbook complete for the specific body part. The IC logbook lines that are annotated with a * in CompTracker indicates there is an associated Competency with that body part.

The Clinical competencies are a 2 step process.

Step 1:

- Ensure there is a lead preceptor available that can evaluate you for the exam.
- Submit a Competency Form (step 1) on CompTracker to the lead preceptor that is evaluating the exam.
- Complete the exam independently from start to finish.
- Have lead preceptor fill out the competency form and evaluate your performance. The lead preceptor determines if you have achieved Step 1.

Once the lead preceptor has completed step 1 on the competency form you should inform your site liaison and schedule a time within 5 business days to complete step 2.

Step 2:

Step 2 consists of a formal image critique and theory questions related to the body part examined. Step 2 is done verbally with the site liaison or an Institute instructor and can encompass all aspects of radiography including (but not limited to):

- anatomy
- Positioning
- technical factors & image quality
- patient care
- pathology

You must submit a Step 2 Competency Form to the evaluator.

The form will be completed by the evaluator in CompTracker.

If the student is unsuccessful on step 2 of a competency they must redo a new step 1. Each competency (with the exception of CT competencies) can be attempted unlimited times.

It is the students responsibility to ensure that both competency forms (steps 1 and 2) are fully completed and signed off on CompTracker. Only completed forms will be used to assign marks. Accession numbers must match for both completed forms.

If there are any issues with CompTracker please inform the Institute Instructors in a timely manner.