

**Mammography Positioning Course *Sample Schedule***

8 Hour Program / 1 Day

Accreditation and Image Selection

Extensive Review on Basic and Advanced Positioning

Clinical Image Evaluation

* ACR Mammography Accreditation Program
* Category Scoring
* Positioning
* Compression
* Exposure Level Criteria
* Contrast Criteria
* Sharpness Criteria
* Noise Criteria
* Artifact Criteria
* Exam Identification Criteria

Critique of Images Submitted to the ACR

* Corrective Action

Film Critique

Mammography QC

* ACR
* MQSA

Mammographer Positioning

Clinical Competency Testing – Mammographer Positions

* Positioning Dilemmas
* How to Correct
* Positioning Techniques Review on ‘Live Patients’

Notes: Mammography Specialists will assess each mammographer performing a minimum of three (3) + mammograms during the one-on-one sessions (scanning and positioning assessment). A follow up written assessment will be provided within one week of training.

References:  
1. ACR: Quality Control Manual: Positioning 1999.  
2. Heinlein R, Bassett L: Positioning. Diagnosis of Diseases

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