

# **MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) SERVICES**

## **STANDARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) CHARGE**

**Approved by the CON Commission Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson  
March 6, 2012**

At a minimum, the MRI Services SAC should consider reviewing and recommending any necessary changes to the MRI Services Standards regarding the following:

1. Review and update, if necessary, the methodology set forth within the Standards for computing the number of available MRI adjusted procedures.
2. Review and update, if necessary, the weighting of scans and the process for documenting and reporting actual MRI procedures.
3. Review and update, if necessary, the methodologies to assure they accurately reflect community need for MRI services.
4. Consider eliminating the volume requirements for replacement of MRI equipment, similar to the PET & CT standards. Consider whether upgrades to existing MRI equipment, without replacement of the equipment, would require CON review/approval.
5. Review existing criteria, volume requirements, and MRI utilization to determine necessary modifications, if any, related to imaging technology and bundling payments.
6. Review project delivery requirements to assure quality, measurability, and affordability for both the provider and consumer.
7. Consider any necessary technical or other changes from the Department, Commission, or SAC, e.g., updates or modifications consistent with other CON review standards and the Public Health Code.