

DICOM Correction Proposal Form

Correction Number CP-248	
Log Summary: Patient Position attribute conditionality	
Type of Modification	Name of Standard
Clarification	PS 3.3-2001
<p>Rationale for Correction</p> <p>Patient Position (0018,5100) in the General Series Module is identified as Type 2C, Required for CT and MR images.</p> <p>Part 5 specifies: When the specified conditions are not met, Type 2C elements shall not be included in the Data Set.</p> <p>Thus non-CT or -MR images which include this element are invalid.</p> <p>However, the CR Series Module includes the attribute View Position, described as: Radiographic view associated with Patient Position (0018,5100).</p> <p>Also, the note associated with Anatomic Region in the NM, US, and X-Ray Image Modules implies that Patient Position may be present.</p> <p>It is proposed that the condition be extended to add "may be present otherwise."</p>	
Sections of documents affected	
PS 3.3, Section C.7.3.1, Table C.7-5	
Correction Wording:	

Patient Position	(0018,5100)	2C	Patient position descriptor relative to the equipment. Required for CT and MR images; shall not be present if Patient Orientation Code Sequence (0054,0410) is present; may be present otherwise. See C.7.3.1.1.2. for Defined Terms and further explanation.
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