DICOM Correction Item

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Correction Number CP-	279	
Log Summary: Correction of VR for Column Angulation		
Type of Modification	Name of Standard	
Correction	PS 3.3 2001	

Rationale for Correction

Part 6 defines Column Angulation (0018,1450) to have a VR of CS.

Part 3 references this attribute from the XRF Positioner Module with the description:

Angle of the X-Ray beam in degree relative to an orthogonal axis to the detector plane. Positive values indicate that the tilt is towards the head of the table.

Note: The detector plane is assumed to be parallel to the table plane.

Part 3 references this attribute from the DX Positioning Module with the description:

Angle of the X-Ray beam in degree relative to an orthogonal axis to the detector plane. Positive values indicate that the tilt is toward the head of the table.

Note: The detector plane is assumed to be parallel to the table plane.

Only meaningful if Positioner Type (0018,1508) is COLUMN.

Both descriptions indicate a numeric context where positive and negative values are possible. The VR of CS is clearly incorrect for a numeric value. CS does not permit use of a sign character ("-") to encode tilt towards the foot of the table. CS does not permit use of a decimal point character (".") to encode fractional degrees.

Part 6 should be corrected so that Column Angulation (0018,1450) has a VR of DS.

Sections of documents affected

PS 3.6, Section 6

Correction Wording:

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Item 1: Correct the following lines in Section 6 of PS 3.6

Tag	Name	VR	VM
(0018,1450)	Column Angulation	CS DS	1

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