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ALL AGREEMENT STATES, MINNESOTA, NEW JERSEY, VIRGINIA

**ACCEPTANCE TO THE DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC NUCLEAR MEDICINE COURSE
(H-304) (FSME-09-005)**

Enclosure 1 is the list of students from the States selected to attend the March 23-27, 2009 Diagnostic and Therapeutic Nuclear Medicine Course (H-304). Please provide the list of students and the instructions (Enclosure 2) to each individual from your program that is on the list. Enclosed for your information is a tentative schedule for the course (Enclosure 3). Students attending this course will be paid for by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Students should make their travel arrangements through Carlson Wagonlit Travel at 301-415-5006 immediately and then submit their travel information needed for NRC to issue their travel authorization (Appendix A) to Traci Kime (Fax 301-415-3502). (See invitational travel information in AD-500 at: <http://nrc-stp.ornl.gov/procedures/ad500.pdf>)

To assist us and other States, and to help ensure that States with candidates on waiting lists will have an opportunity to fill vacated slots that may open up after our course acceptance letters have been sent to you, we ask that you inform us of any cancellations 30 days prior to the course starting date or as soon as you are aware that you cannot attend.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me or the individual named below.

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Enclosures:
As stated

DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC NUCLEAR MEDICINE COURSE (H-304)
MARCH 23-27, 2009
HOUSTON, TX

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ENCLOSURE 1

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

ACCEPTANCE: This is to advise you that those individuals in Enclosure 1 have been accepted for participation in the training course (H-304), "Diagnostic and Therapeutic Nuclear Medicine." This course is scheduled to be presented March 23-27 2009 at the Advanced Health Education Center (AHEC) 8502 Tybor Street, Houston, Texas 77074, Telephone: (713) 772-0157 or 1-800-239-1361.

COURSE: The course will be conducted beginning at 8:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. each day except for Friday, March 27, 2009, which will end at 3:00 p.m. Please refer to AHEC's Webpage at URL: <http://www.AHECOnline.com> for hotel information and transportation between the hotel and the AHEC. Click on General Information. A tentative outline for the course (Enclosure 3) is attached. Cellular phones and similar devices with audible capability should be disabled while classes are in session. Normal office/business attire is appropriate for students attending TTC courses. The classroom at the contractors facility is located on the second floor and there is no elevator. If you have any special needs that the contractor should be aware of, please let us know so that we may provide that information to them. Please complete the invitational travel authorization request as described in FSME Procedure AD-500, "Invitational Travel Authorization and Voucher" and return it to Traci Kime at Traci.Kime@nrc.gov or fax it to 301-415-3502. If you have any questions regarding the travel form please contact Traci on 301-415-8140. No rental cars will be authorized for travel. You will need to take a taxi or shuttle to and from the airport. You will receive a travel voucher for reimbursement after the course ends. Traci will mail it to your office.

LODGING: You should plan to arrive on Sunday, March 22, 2009 and depart on Friday, March 27, 2009. Some hotels offer transportation to and from the AHEC. Participants must make their own lodging and travel arrangements. Individuals should request a Federal government rate at the hotel. The per diem for Houston area is 110/59/169 Houston is a tax exempt city. You should receive a tax exempt form from Traci to use at the hotel of your choice. The hotel should exempt the tax. If not, tax is a separate line item on your voucher.

Meals/Restaurants (Houston/AHEC classes): There are multiple eating facilities within walking distance, such as Subway, Chinese Buffet, and Denny's. If it rains, AHEC has a small lunch area and you can order and have sandwiches or pizza delivered.

Ground transportation from airports to Houston hotels Airport Express, services ground transportation to and from both Intercontinental and Hobby airports. Buses depart every 30 minutes for designated terminals and will take you to the Galleria where you should call a cab to deliver you to your hotel. Call 713-523-5695 or 713-523-8888 for Airport Express Information.

Cab fare is approximately \$40 from Hobby Airport and \$60 from Intercontinental to hotels in your area. Bus fare is \$10 - \$20. Airport Express Ticket Agent is located in baggage claim area.

Call 713-236-1111 for Yellow Cab Company. If you call a cab service, establish the rates prior to engaging the taxi. Parking: Parking in Houston is on surface lots and is free of charge.

HOTELS IN VICINITY OF TRAINING:

Wingate Inn - 11050 Southwest Freeway - 281-568-6969 or 1-800-228-1000

Approximately 1 mile away from the AHEC facility. The Wingate Inn also offers shuttle service to and from the AHEC facility and Complimentary continental breakfast.

Country Inn & Suites - 11230 South West Freeway - 281-575-8283

Hilton Southwest - 6870 Southwest Freeway - 713-977-7911

The Hilton Southwest is an excellent hotel. They will provide transportation at no charge to AHEC. They will also take you to the mall or to other eating destinations in close proximity.

Holiday Inn - 11160 Southwest Freeway - 800-230-8730

Embassy Suites - 9090 Southwest Freeway - 713-995-0123

The Embassy Suites offers shuttle service to and from the AHEC facility.

ENCLOSURE 2

DIAGNOSTIC & THERAPEUTIC NUCLEAR MEDICINE COURSE TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
MARCH 23-27, 2009
HOUSTON, TX

DAY	TIME	TOPIC	READING	PRESENTER
	8:00-9:00	Introduction of course Overview of Nuclear Pharmacy		Hyder
Monday	9:00-10:00	Overview of Nuclear Pharmacy Radiopharmaceutical Production		Hyder
	10:00-12:00	Radiopharmaceutical Characteristics		Hyder
	12:00-1:00	Lunch		
	1:00-2:00	Counting Equipment		Smith
	2:00-3:00	Radiopharmacy Equipment		Smith
	3:00-4:00	Imaging Equipment		Smith
	4:00-5:00	Radiation Safety Equipment		Smith
Tuesday	8:00 - 8:30	Travel to HCCS		
	8:30 - 8:45	Review Homework		Smith
	8:45 - 10:15	Group A - QC of well counters & gamma cameras		Smith
		Group B - Dose Calculations & Dispensing		Hyder
	10:30-12:00	Group A & B switch		Hyder/Smith
	12:00-1:00	Lunch		
	1:00 -- 2:45	Group A - Surveys, Wipes Receipt of RAM		Hyder
		Group B - QC of dose Calibrator		Smith
3:00-4:45	Groups A & B Switch		Smith / Hyder	
Wednesday	8:00 - 8:30	Review Homework		Hyder
	8:30 - 9:30	Nuclear Medicine Facilities		Hyder
	9:30-11:00	Radiation Safety Concerns Radiobiology		Hyder
	11:00-12:00	Radiation Safety Program		Murphy
	12:00-1:00	Lunch		
	1:00-3:00	Diagnostic Patient Procedures		Smith
	3:00-4:00	Update: New Procedures		Smith
4:00-5:00	Therapeutic Procedures		Smith	
Thursday	8:00-8:45	Review		
	9:00-12:00	Hospital Tours Group A & B		Smith & Hyder Murphy
	12:00-1:00	Lunch		
	1:00-1:30	Travel to Syncor		
	1:30-2:45	Group A - Tour Syncor		Hyder & Miller
		Group B - Radiopharmaceutical Quality Control		
3:00-4:45	Groups A & B Switch		Hyder & Miller	
Friday	8:00-9:00	Nuclear Medicine from a Physician Perspective		Dr. Lamki/Moore
	9:00-11:00	PET Imaging		Terry
	11-12am	Review		Hyder/Smith
	12:00-1:00	Lunch		
	1:00-1:30	Review Continues		Hyder/Smith
	1:30-3:00	Exit Examination		