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**To:** Program Directors, Radiation Oncology Programs

**From:** Bruce Haffty, MD  
Chair, Residency Review Committee

**Date:** 7/22/2009

**Re:** Resident Log Entry: Observed Procedures

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**Reminder:** Effective January 1, 2009, the program requirement for residents to perform a specified number of *observed brachytherapy procedures* was deleted. Currently, residents participating in a brachytherapy procedure should log the procedure in as '*performed*'. Please note: only one resident may log a specific procedure. Other residents may observe, but observed procedures are not to be counted or entered into the log system.

**[Program Requirements IV.A.5.a).(2)] Effective January 1, 2009**

Residents must perform no fewer than five interstitial implants and 15 intracavitary implants. Resident involvement should include planning, review of dosimetry, and hands-on participation in a significant portion of the implantation procedure. Separate applications of an implant in a given patient (such as two separate intracavitary applications) may be counted as two separate procedures. However, multiple fractions of a single application (such as multiple fractions of an intersitial implant) may be counted only once. Only one resident may count a specific application.