

Direct Supervision for Contrast Studies (Updated 4/2024)

With the end of the Public Health Emergency, ACR recommends that sites follow the ACR CT and MR accreditation requirements for onsite supervision of contrast administration and management.

CT and MRI Accreditation intravascular contrast media requirements:

<https://accreditation.support.acr.org/support/solutions/articles/11000061279-complete-accreditation-information-ct>

<https://accreditation.support.acr.org/support/solutions/articles/11000063276-complete-accreditation-information-mri-revised-1-24-2024->

The following providers may be considered capable of providing direct supervision of intravenous contrast material administration*, subject to applicable state and federal law:

- A radiologist (MD/DO)

Or – one of the following under the general supervision of a radiologist:

- Non-radiologist physicians (MD/DO)
- Advanced practice provider (NP, PA)
- Registered nurses following a symptom- and sign-driven treatment algorithm

*Note: supervision in this context only applies to administration of intravenous contrast media, not to the supervision of the radiologic examination or procedures.

We recognize that sites may need some flexibility in transitioning over to these requirements. In order to accommodate this need and for consistency with CMS, the ACR will continue to accept remote supervision for contrast through **December 31, 2024**.

ACR will have additional recommendations for safe practices related to contrast management in the near future.