Health Information and Quality Authority An túdarás Um Fhaisnéis

An tUdarás Um Fhaisnéis agus Cáilíocht Sláinte Public consultation on national procedures for clinical audit of radiological procedures involving medical exposure to ionising radiation



HIQA is responsible for regulating medical exposure to ionising radiation in Ireland in services including hospitals, medical imaging centres and dental practices.

Medical exposure to ionising radiation is when radiation is used...



for assessment, such as at your dentist.



in the diagnosis process, such as an X-ray.



as a treatment such as radiotherapy for cancer



for medical research

HIQA's function has increased to establish national procedures for clinical audit of medical radiological procedures.

This means that undertakings (providers of the services) must ensure compliance with the national procedures for clinical audit.



Clinical audit is a tool used for quality improvement and is an essential part of making sure you receive good care and service.

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Clinical audit means that people can expect a service which has safe procedures and treatment and is focused on improvement.



Benefits of clinical audit include:

- improved care and services.
- better use of resources
- promote learning.

HIQA wants to hear the views of the Irish public.

Please provide feedback by Monday, 31 July 2023 at www.hiqa.ie.