



RADIATION PROTECTION FOR NURSES and other HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

One day course

Held At:

**The Radiological Protection Centre,
Unit 5, 24 Deer Park Road, London SW19 3UA**

ABOUT THE COURSE

As the use of x-rays and radiopharmaceuticals in medicine continues to diversify and becomes more invasive, the potential for nurses and other ancillary staff to be involved with radiation increases. Health professionals are increasingly involved with the patient during X-ray procedures and so it is important that the principles of radiation protection are fully understood and that the ways in which radiation exposure can be reduced are appreciated.

This course is designed specifically for any staff coming into contact with radiation during their working lives and is particularly relevant to x-ray and theatre staff. **It is also ideal for employees such as x-ray assistants or other ancillary staff who may frequently come into contact with x-rays or nuclear medicine patients.** It covers the basics of radiation protection and ways of minimising the exposure to staff and patient. It therefore forms an essential part of the training of health professionals involved in radiological procedures.

Recent years have also seen an increasingly important role being played by nurse practitioners and other extended scope healthcare professionals in the assessment of patients. In many units authority is given for these persons to request X-ray examinations according to agreed protocols. Since all exposures to medical X-rays are governed by legislation to protect the patient from doses of ionising radiation, it is important that referrers are familiar with radiation issues and the legal implication of their X-ray requests.

The course provides appropriate training for referrers under the IR(ME)R legislation, although RPC also runs a half day course to cover the training requirements for non-medically qualified referrers.

COURSE FEES

- £135.00
- £35.00 for staff solely employed by St George's Healthcare.
- Discount is available to those organisations who wish to send 5 delegates or more. Please ask for further details.