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Wuesthoff Medical Center Rockledge Nuclear Medicine Laboratory Earns Accreditation by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Nuclear Medicine Laboratories

Brevard County, FL (June 16, 2010) Wuesthoff Medical Center Rockledge Nuclear Laboratory recently earned Accreditation by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Nuclear Medicine Laboratories (ICANL).

One of only four hospitals in the state of Florida, and the only hospital in Brevard to be ICANL certified for nuclear cardiology procedures, Wuesthoff successfully completed the voluntary accreditation process in the areas of myocardial perfusion imaging and equilibrium radionuclide angiography.

“This accreditation demonstrates Wuesthoff focus on technical excellence,” said Rochelle Pell, CNMT, and ICANL technical director. “By completing this process, we have been awarded an additional level of competence above what is required by unaccredited laboratories.”

Nuclear cardiology studies use non-invasive techniques to evaluate both the blood flow and pumping function of the heart. As a result, physicians are better able to detect the presence of cardiovascular disease and conditions which could lead to a heart attack.

According to ICANL, medical facilities such as Wuesthoff participating in the accreditation process are required to submit documentation on every aspect of their daily operations including revising protocols and validating quality assurance programs. Applications submitted are then reviewed by experts throughout the United States and Canada for accreditation approval.

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