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Conformance Statement Addendum Overview

The Conformance Statement Addendum is intended to document any addenda or corrections that are identified after the DICOM Conformance Statement of the respective released product has been published. It is intended to be used in conjunction with the original published DICOM Conformance Statement of the respective released product.
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1 INTRODUCTION

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1.2 Purpose and Intended Audience of this Document

This document is a DICOM Conformance Statement Addendum for the DICOM Services of the IMPAX and IMPAX Solution products.

The user of this document is involved with system integration and/or software design. We assume that the reader is familiar with the terminology and concepts that are used in the DICOM 3.0 standard and the IHE Technical Framework.

Readers not familiar with DICOM 3.0 terminology should first read the appropriate parts of the DICOM standard itself, prior to reading this conformance statement addendum.

Although the use of this conformance statement addendum in conjunction with the original conformance statement of the respective released product and DICOM 3.0 standard is intended to facilitate communication with Agfa IMPAX and IMPAX Solution, it is not sufficient to guarantee, by itself, the inter-operation of the connection. The following issues need to be considered:

1.3 General Remarks

1.3.1 Integration and Validation Activities

The integration of any device into a system of interconnected devices goes beyond the scope of the DICOM 3.0 standard and this conformance statement addendum in conjunction with the conformance statement of the respective released product when interoperability is desired. The responsibility for analyzing the applications requirements and developing a solution that integrates the Agfa equipment with other vendors’ systems is the user’s responsibility and should not be underestimated.

In some circumstances it might be necessary to perform a validation to make sure that functional interoperability between the Agfa equipment and non-Agfa devices works as
expected. The user should ensure that any non-Agfa provider accepts responsibility for any validation required for their connection with the Agfa equipment.

1.3.2 Future Evolution

As the DICOM 3.0 standard evolves to meet the user’s growing requirements and to incorporate new features and technologies, Agfa will follow the evolution of the standard. This evolution of the standard may require changes to devices that have implemented DICOM 3.0. The user should ensure that any non-Agfa provider, who connects with Agfa devices, also plans for future evolution of the DICOM standard. A refusal to do so may result in the loss of functionality and/or connectivity between the different products.

1.4 Acronyms and Abbreviations

Definitions, terms and abbreviations used in this document are defined within the different parts of the DICOM standard. Abbreviations and terms are as follows:

- **AE** DICOM Application Entity
- **AET** Application Entity Title
- **ASCE** Association Control Service Element
- **CD-R** Compact Disk Recordable
- **DICOM** Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
- **FSC** File-Set Creator
- **FSU** File-Set Updater
- **FSR** File-Set Reader
- **GSDF** Grayscale Standard Display Function
- **GSPS** Grayscale Softcopy Presentation State
- **IE** Information Entity
- **IOD** (DICOM) Information Object Definition
- **ISO** International Standard Organization
- **MPPS** Modality Performed Procedure Step
- **MSPS** Modality Scheduled Procedure Step
- **PDU** DICOM Protocol Data Unit
- **SCU** DICOM Service Class User (DICOM client)
- **SCP** DICOM Service Class Provider (DICOM server)
- **SOP** DICOM Service-Object Pair
- **UID** Unique Identifier
- **VR** Value Representation

1.5 Related Documents

- ACR-NEMA Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) V3.0.2008
2 ADDENDUM

2.1 Storage of PET/CT

2.1.1 Affected Released Products

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2.1.2 Description

IMPAX supports the storage of fused PET/CT series (fusion done at the modality prior to sending into IMPAX). DICOM does not stipulate a SOP Class for fused series. They will typically be labeled with modality (0008,0060) PET, CT, OT or SC. Agfa does not recommend using IMPAX to diagnose fused PET/CT series.

IMPAX supports the storage of PET series but not display.

2.2 Storage and Display of PET/CT

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IMPAX supports the storage and display of PET series.
3 CORRECTION

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