



## **Diagnostic Imaging Accreditation Scheme – Fact Sheet**

### **Accreditors**

#### **What is an accreditor?**

An accreditor is an independent organisation appointed by the Minister for Health as an accreditor for the Diagnostic Imaging Accreditation Scheme (the Scheme).

Accreditors accept applications for accreditation, perform desk-top audits and grant accreditation. They also advise the Department of Human Services of practices' accreditation status and liaise with the Department of Health as required.

In order to become an accreditor, organisations are required to demonstrate their credentials and capacity to provide independent, timely and affordable accreditation services to a diversity of practice types. Approved accreditors are required to assess all practice types including those practices which only provide non-radiology services.

Accreditors approved for the Scheme are named in subordinate legislation as the organisations able to accredit practices under s.23DZZIAA of the Health Insurance Act 1973.

#### **Selecting an accreditor**

There are three organisations approved as accreditors for the Scheme. These organisations can provide accreditation services nationally to a diversity of practice types at affordable rates.

Practices may choose which accreditor to use. Each accreditor operates independently within the guidelines provided by the department, and as such has its own application forms and sets its own fees.

The Department does not carry out any accreditation services. Practices should direct any enquiries regarding application processes or fees to the accreditor of their choice.

#### **Changing accreditors**

Practices may choose to change accreditors at any time. To change accreditors, practices should notify their current accreditor of their intention to change and request the release of their records, then apply to the accreditor of their choice.

The new accreditor will update the Department of Human Services. There is no fee to change your accreditor and there should be no interruption to practices' accreditation status during this period.

## Accreditors

Your practice may choose **one** of the following accreditors:

HDAA Australia Pty Ltd

Phone: 1800 601 696

[HDAA Website - www.hdaau.com.au](http://www.hdaau.com.au)

National Association of Testing Authorities Australia (NATA)

Phone: 1800 621 666

[NATA Website - www.nata.asn.au](http://www.nata.asn.au)

Quality Innovation Performance Ltd (QIP)

Phone: 1300 888 329

[QIP Website - www.qip.com.au](http://www.qip.com.au)

To learn more about the Diagnostic Imaging Accreditation Scheme, visit the Department of Health [Diagnostic imaging under Medicare](#) website.