ENDORSEMENT STATEMENT: AAPM GONADAL SHIELDING POSITION

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In Spring of 2019, the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM) released a position statement endorsing revising recommendations for routine use of patient gonadal and fetal shielding [1]. The Image Gently Alliance supports these efforts to revise the practice of shielding to better align with more current scientific evidence. Delegates from Image Gently are also contributing to the AAPM Ad Hoc Committee of Communicating Advances in Radiation Education for Shielding (CARES) with the mission to create resources to implement revised shielding practices while advocating for our pediatric patients.

Note that the Alliance has been invested in efforts for informed use of gonadal shielding for several years [2,3]