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FMC'S ULTRASOUND DEPARTMENT RECEIVES ACR ACCREDITATION

LANCASTER, Ohio (June 3, 2009) – The Ultrasound Department at Fairfield Medical Center has been awarded a three-year term of accreditation as the result of a recent survey by the American College of Radiology.



Pictured from left to right, Amy Burrus, Audra Gordon, and Cheryl Cooper, display FMC's ACR Accreditation certificate.

The ACR awards accreditation to facilities for the achievement of high practice standards after a peer-review evaluation of the practice. Board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field conduct evaluations. They assess the qualifications of the personnel and the adequacy of facility equipment. The surveyors report their findings to the ACR's Committee on Accreditation, which subsequently provides the practice with a comprehensive report.

Ultrasound accreditation requires 85% of total possible points for each exam. The Ultrasound Department at FMC received an overall score of 97% out of a possible 100%. Kelly Russell, Specialty Modality and Project Supervisor, commented, "This great accomplishment could not have been possible without the hard work and dedication from our Ultrasound Technologists and the Columbus Radiology Radiologists. The results from this ACR evaluation just goes to show that our Ultrasound Department is meeting expectations where image quality is concerned and is performing all required daily and weekly quality control tests to give patients the best possible care at Fairfield Medical Center."

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