



R-SCAN Podcasts: Conversations to Optimize Imaging Care

Position your practice for success in the transition to value-based care with short podcasts from the Radiology Support, Communication and Alignment Network (R-SCAN[™]). These free podcasts discuss strategies of image ordering and highlight how *ACR Appropriateness Criteria[®]* support *Choosing Wisely[®]* recommendations.

Launched in September 2015, R-SCAN is sponsored by the *Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (TCPi)* to support 140,000 clinician practices improve the way they deliver care in their transition to value-based payment models. Visit the *R-SCAN website* to learn how you can join practices around the country forming collaborations to optimize imaging care, reduce unnecessary imaging exams and lower the cost of care.

Benefits for Radiologists and Referring Clinicians:

- Improve ordering practices and avoid low-value imaging with **evidence-based recommendations** based upon the growing list of R-SCAN *Choosing Wisely* topics
- Gain insight about how **communication** between radiologists and referring clinicians can improve imaging care
- Be prepared to satisfy the impending *Protecting Access to Medicare Act requirements* by using clinical decision support tools and consulting the *ACR Appropriateness Criteria*
- Receive **CME Credit**



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Review the latest image ordering recommendations on the go or in your office with podcasts hosted by a **radiologist and a referring clinician.**

Podcast topics

Adnexal cysts — Do not recommend follow-up imaging for clinically inconsequential adnexal cysts.

Headache — Don't do imaging for uncomplicated headache.

Low back pain — Do not perform imaging for low back pain within the first six weeks, unless red flags are present.

Pediatric febrile seizures — Neuroimaging (CT, MRI) is not necessary in a child with simple febrile seizure.

Pediatric head trauma — CT scans are not necessary in the immediate evaluation of minor head injuries.

Preoperative chest radiography — Avoid admission or preoperative chest X-rays for ambulatory patients with unremarkable history and physical exam.

Prostate cancer — Do not perform PET, CT and radionuclide bone scans in the staging of early prostate cancer at low risk for metastasis.

Pulmonary embolism — Do not perform chest CT angiography to evaluate for possible pulmonary embolism in patients with a low clinical probability and negative results of a highly sensitive D-dimer assay.

Renal Colic — Avoid ordering CT of the abdomen in emergency department (ED) patients (age <50) with known histories of kidney stones, or urolithiasis, presenting with symptoms consistent with acute uncomplicated renal colic.

Rhinosinusitis — Do not order sinus CT or indiscriminately prescribe antibiotics for uncomplicated acute rhinosinusitis.