

**General criteria for on-site digital mammography training are as follows:**

Please follow the manufacturer’s recommended operating manual for your specific digital equipment.

The technologist may be trained on the digital mammography equipment by a qualified and experienced FFDM mammography technologist or medical physicist

The MQSA **DOES NOT** specify the content of the instruction. Information related to image acquisition, patient positioning, equipment operation, technical selections, image critique, and quality control testing as outlined by the manufacturer are examples of information that may be included during the FFDM training sessions.



<b>Instrumentation</b>	
Equipment locks	
Compression device-size/selection	
Spot and magnification	

<b>Patient Preparations</b>	
Explanation of exam	
Screening versus Diagnostic	
Patient History and Reports	
Limited breast exam for palpable abnormalities	

<b>Patient Positioning</b>	
Standard views (CC & MLO)	
Performs different/additional views as necessary (Implants)	
Appropriate amount of compression	
Proper technical factors	

<b>Quality Control (Includes Image Evaluation &amp; QC Testing)</b>	
#1 Technologist tests observed	
#2 Technologist tests observed	

<b>Computer Operation</b>	
Log in/Log out procedure	
Operating system log on	
Patient selection	
Exam/Procedure selection	
Edit patient information	
Exposure mode selection	
Transmitting images	
Correcting laterality/projection	
Adding images	
Rejecting images	
Print options	