Changes to 3T MRI Training for Fall 2022

We have made significant changes to our MRI training curriculum, so whether you’re coming back to campus or have been scanning all summer, here are key things to know about research imaging support.

New Level 0 (L0) course

In response to user demand, BIC has created a new Level 0 - MRI Observer user level. If you have prospective graduate students rotating through your lab that want to see the magic happen then this is the appropriate level for them. They cannot count towards the 2-person rule for research scans, but they can complete the training they need (to safely enter the console room) easily and quickly enough to get observations in before their rotation ends. See the new L0 section on the Wiki Training page.

Level 1 changes

In response to the most-asked “how do I…” questions, we’ve got a new training packet that will guide Level 1 trainees through the process to be certified to assist with research scans. Trainees will submit their packet once completed for quicker certification and access. L1 training now follows-on directly from the new L0 status or can be fully completed independently. See the L1 steps on the Wiki.

L1 walk-through trainings and facility orientations for the Fall will generally be:

- **HDB:** Wednesdays from noon – 1 pm
- **NHB:** Thursdays from 10 – 11 am

(You will still need to receive confirmation of your spot to attend after submitting the training request.)

Level 2 change

Users will no longer need to demonstrate re-docking the table during a level-2 exam, and will only need to demonstrate un-docking. Since re-docking can be tricky, please don’t un-dock the table to practice for L2 exams. Please contact BIC staff should an emergency un-docking event occur and we will re-dock the patient table for you.

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