Socio-Economic Affairs Committee Report

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The Radiology Workload Measurement Study, being conducted at the Center for Cost-Effective Care at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA, has reviewed its Phase 1 data. As reported at the National American Hospital Radiology Administration Meeting in Nashville, TN, August 23, 1986, the total test times for two nuclear medicine imaging modalities are: for bone scan, spot imaging for whole body = 58 min; for thallium, SPECT including stress and rest = 2.5 hr, including computer processing. More data, which will include variables such as mode of transit, patient age, inpatient or outpatient status, and number of technologists needed to complete scans, will be released in early 1987.

I would like to thank all nuclear medicine departments who participated in this project.