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Importance: High

Nuclear Medicine has been notified of a radionuclide shortage through November 2024 caused by the unexpected shutdown of multiple nuclear reactors. World-wide production will be decreased by at least 70%.

Add-on studies deemed necessary will be performed when sufficient supply is available (most likely NOT same day). There will be no supply available for after hour studies.

The most recent forecast suggests supply will decrease each week. The nuclear attendings and residents can assist with finding available alternatives such as CT, MRI, Ultrasound, and/or Echocardiogram.

For questions, contact Kurt Wilson, Director of Nuclear Medicine, at wilsonk@upstate.edu or 315-464-7032.

Best,
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