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ISAS received a strong endorsement from David Nicholson, NHS Chief Executive in the e-newsletter, The Week. He said:

"NHS Chief Executives are encouraged to support their local imaging service providers to register for the scheme."

- The Week (Issue 114 18-24 September 2009)

The first ISAS Preparatory Workshop for customers took place at Centre Point, London, on 30th September. The day was massively oversubscribed such that another London workshop has been arranged for 25th January 2010. Over 50 delegates was in attendance at this first workshop. Feedback has been extremely encouraging with number of delegates expressing a firm intention to submit an application to UKAS for their service to be accredited and for training to become assessors in the very near future.

The next workshop on 14th October in Birmingham is already full to capacity. Dates and venues for subsequent workshops together with application information can be found on the ISAS website and under the [Pre-application Information & Preparatory Workshops](#) section. We aim to hold ISAS Preparatory Workshops in major cities throughout the UK over the next 18-month period.

UKAS is now accepting and processing applications for ISAS accreditation. Applications will be processed on a first come, first served basis. Further information on how to apply can be found on the ISAS website under the [Getting Accredited](#) section.

The first cohort of ISAS Assessors has been authorised to work following successful completion of the detailed assessor training programme. Training for the second cohort of assessors is scheduled for later this month. All authorised assessors will gain CPD for participating (the details are currently being agreed with The Royal College of Radiologists and The College of Radiographers).

The first eight early implementers are continuing to make good progress, with support from the ISAS Team, with completing their web-based assessments. A number of services are still on still on track to submit their completed web-based assessment for initial review during November 2009.

Following a public consultation period, the first ISAS technical publication was published on 30th September 2009. Entitled [ISAS1 The Conduct of UKAS Assessment for the Imaging Services Accreditation Scheme](#), this publication can be found on the [UKAS website](#) and under the [Getting Accredited](#) section.

UKAS will be exhibiting ISAS at the Delivering Enhanced Radiology Services event at the City Inn, Leeds on 20th October 2009. The event is aimed at service who are reconfiguring services to hit targets, deliver quality and optimise capacity. For further information or if you would like to attend this event, please download the brochure below or visit the [SBK Healthcare website](#).

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