

**AUGUST 2004—STATE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC NEED (COPN)
AWARDED TO ADD CT SCANNER:**

Having demonstrated utilization rates for CT scans above the State Medical Facilities Plan in northern Virginia Planning District 8, Radiology Imaging Associates at Sterling received authorization from the Virginia Department of Health to install an additional CT scanner. The project represents a cost-effective and appropriately located response to the rapid growth in demand for CT services for the population of eastern Loudoun County and western Fairfax County. In addition, RIA at Sterling demonstrated improved commitment to the provision of charity care to qualifying individuals. One of the most advanced multi-detector CT scanners will be acquired for this project and is slated to become fully operational within the second quarter of 2005.