

## ATC Method 1 Development Timeline at QARC

The table below shows the developmental timeline for implementation of ATC Method 1 at QARC. Work on this project is coordinated by means of weekly teleconferences between QARC and ITC personnel.

Developmental Step	Dates
<b>1</b> Project starts at ATC meeting: ITC to develop a Linux-based platform for the receipt and QA of volumetric, digital data at QARC using ATC Method 1.	6/2004
<b>2</b> ITC prototype Linux-based RRT server and data import tools demonstrated to QARC personnel at AAPM 2004.	7/2004
<b>3</b> Linux workstation hardware purchased by QARC ready for network access	9/2004
<b>4</b> CMS grants permission for limited use of proprietary software components (used in ATC Method 1 data import and review) to support ATC activities at QARC	10/2004
<b>5</b> RRT and data import tools installed on QARC-ITC Linux server; ITC demonstrates user interface for data import.	11/2004
<b>6</b> RRT grayscale presets added for QARC; ITC Linux system acquired to facilitate support; ITC demonstrates import of digital data from CD-ROM (at QARC) and from FTP (via ITC).	12/2004
<b>7</b> QARC requests data for COG protocol ACNS0331 cases from selected institutions capable of digital export; Dr. FitzGerald reviews target volumes for pediatric CNS patient using RRT server at QARC.	1/2005
<b>8</b> Training session for data import; QARC requests digital data for COG protocol ACNS0126 from selected institutions.	2/2005
<b>9</b> RRT enhanced to display submitted <u>or</u> re-calculated DVHs and allow spaces in structure names.	3/2005
<b>10</b> COG protocol pages added to ATC web server	4/2005
<b>11</b> Direct invocation of RRT from QARC MAX database demonstrated; RRT linear measurement tool tested at QARC; FTP server software and account management tools installed at QARC	5/2005
<b>12</b> Data backup working at QARC; simplified import of submitted DICOM DVHs demonstrated; ITC developing support for review of prone CT scans.	6/2005
<b>13</b> Simplified import of DVHs (both RTOG and DICOM format) working; RRT can display multiple, submitted DVHs; “safe” handling of submitted structure names in DVHs; Plan summary and data import log displays in RRT working; Import of prone CT scans tested; QARC FTP server works with firewall in “passive” mode.	7/2005
<b>14</b> COG protocol “templates” added to data import UI; QARC printer configured on Linux workstation; QARC website updated with data submission procedures for COG protocols (linked on ATC website); FTP accounts created for COG participants.	8/2005
<b>15</b> Implement transfer of incoming data from FTP “jails” to processing directory in data import UI of Linux workstation; ITC to provide explicit directions for submission of data to QARC via FTP (file/directory structure requirements, software/firewall issues).	9/2005
<b>16</b> Demonstrate QA Log User Interface for RRT	10/2005