

Amendments to 105 CMR 125.000:
Licensing of Radiologic Technologists

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I. Background

- M.G.L. c. 111, § 5L authorizes DPH to establish standards for the professional training and licensure of radiologic technologists who practice in the Commonwealth.
- Under this authority, DPH promulgated 105 CMR 125.000. This regulation was last revised in 1994. Advances in the field of nuclear medicine are not encompassed in these regulations.
- To update the regulation in accordance with current practice standards, DPH's Bureau of Environmental Health/Radiation Control Program (BEH/RCP) consulted stakeholders from the radiologic technologist industry.

II. Proposed Amendments

Significant proposed amendments include:

- New categories for practice to allow Radiologic Technologists to be licensed in advanced practice disciplines (e.g., Nuclear Medicine Advanced Associate and Radiology Practitioner Assistant).
- Updates to continuing education requirements were made to reflect current practice standards and provide requirements for the new advanced practice disciplines.

II. Proposed Amendments (cont'd)

Significant proposed amendments include:

- Student clinical education requirements were updated to clarify supervision requirements within clinical activities, and to provide RCP with more flexibility to determine which programs may conduct clinical activities (e.g., those accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology).
- 125.021: Grounds for Denial, Modification, Limitation, Revocation or Refusal to Renew a License was updated to include a violation plus a history of non-compliance with a same or similar violation, or having received a warning letter within the last five years for the same or similar violation.

III. Next Steps

- Following this initial presentation, a public hearing and comment period will be held.
- Approval of the proposed amendments, along with a review of public comments, will be requested at a subsequent meeting of the Public Health Council.
- Following final approval, this regulation will be amended.

Questions?

