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      TITLE 20
                       ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
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      CHAPTER 3
                       RADIATION PROTECTION
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      PART 20
                       MEDICAL IMAGING AND RADIATION THERAPY LICENSURE
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      20.3.20.1
                       ISSUING AGENCY: Environmental Improvement Board.
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      [20.3.20.1 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.1 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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      20.3.20.2
                       SCOPE: All individuals engaged in the practice of medical imaging and radiation therapy.
      [20.3.20.2 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.2 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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      20.3.20.3
                       STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Health and Safety Act,
      Sections 61-14E-1 to 61-14E-12 NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-8 NMSA 1978, and the Uniform Licensing Act,
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      Sections 61-1-1 to 61-1-34 NMSA 1978.
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      [20.3.20.3 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.30.3 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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                       DURATION: Permanent.
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      [20.3.20.4 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.4 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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      20.3.20.5
                       EFFECTIVE DATE: September 25, 2018, unless a later date is cited at the end of a section.
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      [20.3.20.5 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.5 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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      20.3.20.6
                       OBJECTIVE: To maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from
      ionizing and non-ionizing radiation in the practice of medical imaging and radiation therapy by establishing
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      requirements for appropriate education and training of individuals operating medical equipment emitting ionizing
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      and non-ionizing radiation, establishing standards of education and training for the individuals who perform medical
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      imaging and radiation therapy procedures, and providing for the appropriate examination and licensure of those
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      individuals.
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      [20.3.20.6 NMAC - Rp 20.3.20.6 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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                       DEFINITIONS: As used in this part (20.3.20 NMAC).
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                       "Act" means the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Health and Safety Act, Sections 61-
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      14E-1 to 61-14E-12 NMSA 1978.
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               В.
                       "Advisory council" means the medical imaging and radiation therapy advisory council
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      (MIRTAC).
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               C.
                       "Applying ionizing radiation" means to use ionizing radiation for diagnostic or therapeutic
      purposes, including tasks having direct impact on the radiation burden of the patient, such as, but not limited to:
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                                positioning the patient, image receptor, and beam;
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                                selection of exposure factors or treatment parameters;
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                                preparation, calibration, and injection of pharmaceuticals and radiopharmaceuticals in
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      accordance with a licensee's scope of practice; and
                                actuating the production of radiation.
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               D.
                       "Approved program" means a medical imaging or radiation therapy educational program that
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      meets the requirements of 20.3.20.200 NMAC.
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                       "Biennial licensure fee" means the licensure fee for an initial, renewal, and limited radiography
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      license, excluding the temporary license, for a period up to 24 months, and is only applied once per continuing
      medical education biennium period regardless of the number of licenses granted to that registrant. This fee will be
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      assessed each time a registrant submits an application packet to the department. Upon written request to the
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      department, the registrant may reduce their NM biennium period to match their national continuing medical
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      education biennium period.
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               F.
                       "Board" means the environmental improvement board.
                       "Cardiac sonography" or "echocardiography" means an examination using ultrasound to
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      generate an image of the heart or major blood vessels.
                       "Category A" means a continuing education activity approved for category A credit by an
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      organization recognized by the American registry of radiologic technologists as a recognized continuing education
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- "Certificate of licensure" means a document issued by the department that lists the type or types of license granted to an individual. "Certificate of limited practice" or "limited practice of radiography license" means a limited
- license granted by the department to an individual other than a licensed practitioner or radiographer who performs restricted diagnostic radiography procedures under the direct supervision of a licensed practitioner or radiographer on designated anatomical sites or limited anatomical areas.
- "Certified nurse practitioner" means a person licensed pursuant to Section 61-3-23.2 NMSA K. 1978.
- L. "Chest and thorax" or "viscera of the thorax" means radiographic examinations of the ribs and lungs, including anteroposterior, posterior-anterior, lateral, and apical lordotic views, but does not include mammography.
- M. "Clinical instruction" means hands-on educational experience in a health care setting such as a hospital, clinic, or physician's office, under the supervision requirements consistent with the standards of the program's accrediting agencies.
- "Continuing education" (CE) or "continuing medical education" (CME) means a learning N. activity that is planned, organized, and administered to enhance the professional knowledge and skill of the licensee.
- "Credential" or "certification" means the recognition awarded to an individual who meets the initial and ongoing requirements of a credentialing or certification organization.
- "Credentialing organization" or "certification organization" means an organization accredited by the national commission for certifying agencies or the American national standards institute and recognized by the board that issues credentials through testing or evaluation and determines that an individual has met defined standards for training and competence in a medical imaging or radiation therapy modality and subspecialty.
 - "Department" means the New Mexico environment department.
- Ŕ. "Diagnostic medical sonographer" means a person, including a vascular technologist or echocardiographer, other than a licensed practitioner, who provides patient care services using ultrasound;
- "Diagnostic medical sonography" or "sonogram" means the use of ultrasound and sonographic equipment to create medical images for interpretation by a licensed practitioner or other qualified health care practitioner that provide diagnostic information about a patient's medical condition and includes obstetrical ultrasound. Obstetrical ultrasound means an ultrasound exam performed for the purpose of fetal biometry beyond the first trimester, fetal number, anatomic survey, or follow-up examination for a known or suspected anomaly or growth disturbance. It does not mean a procedure using ultrasound on a focused imaging target to assess specific and limited information about a patient's immediate medical condition or to provide real-time visual guidance for another procedure.
 - T. "Didactic instruction" means academic instruction.
- U. "Duplicate certificate of licensure" means an additional original certificate of licensure issued by the department.
- V. "Extremities" means the fingers, hand, wrist, radius/ulna, elbow, humerus, pectoral girdle (shoulder joint and clavicle), toes, foot, ankle, calcaneus, tibia/fibula, patella, knee, or distal femur, but does not include the skull, spine, hip, or pelvis.
- "Facility" means a hospital, clinic, medical office, mobile lab, or other location where medical imaging or radiation therapy is provided.
- "Focused imaging target" means a discrete anatomical target, to which ultrasound is applied to create an image for assessment of specific and limited information about a patient's immediate medical condition, or to provide visual guidance for another procedure. An ultrasound procedure on a focused imaging target does not supplant a diagnostic ultrasound examination.
- "General sonography" means an examination using ultrasound to create an image of the Y. abdomen, chest, pelvis, pregnant uterus, small parts, or superficial structures.
- **Z**. "Interventional" means to diagnose or treat patients using medical imaging devices. Interventional procedures may include, but are not limited to: radiation therapy, organ biopsy, angiography, angioplasty, and catheter delivered stents. Interventional does not mean needle or catheter placement for vascular access or delivery of medicine or anesthesia, or the use of non-ionizing energy for non-imaging therapeutic or treatment purposes.
- "Ionizing radiation" means gamma rays and x-rays, alpha and beta particles, high speed electrons, neutrons, protons, and other nuclear particles; but not ultrasound, sound, or radio waves, nor visible, infrared or ultraviolet light.

AB. "License" means a grant of authority issued by the department for an individual to perform medical imaging or radiation therapy procedures.

- **AC.** "License term" means a length of licensure as indicated on the certificate of licensure issued by the department.
- **AD.** "Licensed practitioner" means an individual licensed to practice medicine, dentistry, podiatry, chiropractic or osteopathy in this state.
- **AE.** "Licensee" means an individual who has met and continues to meet all requirements of the act and this part.
- **AF.** "Licensure" means the grant of authority by the department for an individual to perform medical imaging or radiation therapy procedures.
- **AG.** "Limited practice radiography technologist" means an individual who has been granted a limited practice in radiography license by the department to perform restricted diagnostic radiography procedures under the direct supervision of a licensed practitioner or radiographer.
 - **AH.** "Lower leg" means the knee and ankle and portions of the leg between the knee and ankle.
- **AI.** "Magnetic resonance imaging" means an examination using magnetic fields and radio frequency signals to generate an image.
- **AJ.** "Magnetic resonance technologist" means an individual other than a licensed practitioner who performs magnetic resonance imaging procedures under the supervision of a licensed practitioner using magnetic fields and radio frequency signals.
- **AK.** "Medical imaging" means the use of substances or equipment emitting ionizing or non-ionizing radiation on humans for diagnostic or interventional purposes.
- **AL.** "Medical imaging professional" means an individual who has been granted a license by the department pursuant to the act in at least one medical imaging modality.
 - AM. "Modality" means the following medical imaging procedures or technologies:
 - (1) computed tomography and all of its subspecialties;
 - ([1]2) diagnostic medical sonography and all of its subspecialties;
 - ([2]3) magnetic resonance imaging and all of its subspecialties;
 - ([3]4) nuclear medicine technology and all of its subspecialties;
 - ([4]5) radiation therapy and all of its subspecialties; and
 - ([5]6) radiography and all of its subspecialties.
- **AN.** "Musculoskeletal sonography" or "musculoskeletal ultrasound" means an examination using ultrasound to generate an image of a superficial muscle, tendon, ligament, or joint.
- **AO.** "Non-ionizing radiation" means the static and time-varying electric and magnetic fields and radio frequency, including microwave radiation and ultrasound.
- **AP.** "Nuclear medicine technologist" means an individual, other than a licensed practitioner, who performs nuclear medicine procedures, venipuncture, and compounds, calibrates, dispenses, and administers pharmaceuticals, radiopharmaceuticals, and radionuclides under the supervision of a licensed practitioner.
- **AQ.** "Personal identification" means an applicant's or licensee's full legal name, permanent and mailing address, social security number, date of birth, home phone number, cellular telephone number, work telephone number, electronic mail address, department registration number, and other related information.
- **AR.** "Phlebology" means ultrasound examination of superficial veins in the lower extremities for the identification and treatment of venous disease.
- **AS.** "Physician assistant" means a person licensed and operating within their scope of practice pursuant to Section 61-6-7 or 61-10A-4 NMSA 1978.
- **AT.** "Place of employment" means a location with its own physical address or separated by building structure regardless of ownership, company, nonprofit organization, or business name.
- **AU.** "Podiatric" means radiographic examination of the toes, foot, ankle, calcaneus, distal tibia/fibula, but does not include the knee joint.
- **AV.** "**Programmatic accreditation**" means a specialized accreditation process that examines the medical imaging or radiation therapy program within an educational institution.
 - **AW.** "Radiation therapy" means the use of high-energy particles or waves to destroy or damage cells.
- **AX.** "Radiation therapy technologist" or "radiation therapist" means an individual, other than a licensed practitioner, who utilizes ionizing radiation for the planning and delivery of therapeutic procedures to humans under the supervision of a licensed practitioner.
- **AY.** "Radiographer" means an individual, other than a licensed practitioner, who applies radiation to humans for diagnostic purposes under the supervision of a licensed practitioner.

- **BA.** "Radiologic technologist" or "radiation therapy technologist" means a medical imaging or radiation therapy professional licensed by the department in one or more of the imaging modalities.
- **BB.** "Radiologist" means a licensed practitioner certified by the American board of radiology, the British royal college of radiology, the American osteopathic board of radiology or the American chiropractic board of radiology.
- **BC.** "Radiologist assistant" means an individual licensed as a radiographer who holds additional certification as a registered radiologist assistant by the American registry of radiologic technologists and who works under the supervision of a radiologist; provided that a radiologist assistant shall not interpret images, render diagnoses or prescribe medications or therapies.
- **BD.** "Recognized continuing education evaluation mechanism (RCEEM)" means a recognition mechanism of the ARRT for evaluating the content, quality, and integrity of a continuing education activity.
- **BE.** "Registration number" means a number that is generated by the department to be used as a unique identification number in place of that individual's social security number. This number will remain the same number throughout the individual's lifetime.
- **BF.** "Remedial education" or "remedial training" means additional education or training required for an individual to re-qualify to take a state-administered examination for the limited practice of radiography.
- **BG.** "Scope of practice" means nationally recognized practice standards as applicable to each medical imaging modality and subspecialty, unless this part is superseded by the act.
- **BH.** "Small parts" means superficial structures or anatomy including, but not limited to: axilla, chest or abdominal wall, penis, scrotum or testicles, thyroid, parathyroid, and other non-vascular structures of the neck or extremities.
- **BI.** "Sonographer" or "echocardiographer" or "vascular technologist" means an individual other than a licensed practitioner who applies ultrasound to humans for diagnostic and interventional purposes under the supervision of a licensed practitioner.
- **BJ.** "Sonography" or "ultrasound" means the use of high frequency sound waves (above 20,000 cycles per second) with specialized equipment to direct the sound waves into an area of the human body to generate an image.
 - **BK.** "Sonography subspecialty" means an area of specialization recognized by the board, including:
 - (1) abdominal sonography;
 - (2) breast sonography;

- (3) cardiac sonography;
- (4) musculoskeletal sonography;
- (5) obstetric/gynecology sonography;
- (6) phlebology sonography; and
- (7) vascular sonography.
- **BL.** "Student" means an individual enrolled in and attending a school or college of medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, dentistry, dental hygiene, an approved program in medical imaging or radiation therapy, or an approved limited radiography program.
- **BM.** "Subspecialty" means an area of specialization approved by the board within a medical imaging or radiation therapy modality.
- **BN.** "Supervision" means responsibility for and control of quality, radiation safety, and protection and technical aspects of the application of ionizing and non-ionizing radiation to human beings for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes.
- (1) "direct supervision" means the medical imaging or radiation therapy procedure is provided under the direction and control of a person authorized to provide supervision and the person's physical presence must be present in the office suite or building and immediately available to furnish assistance and direction throughout the performance of the procedure. It does not mean that the supervisor must be present in the room when the procedure is performed.
- (2) "indirect supervision" or "general supervision" means the medical imaging or radiation therapy procedure is provided under the direction and control of a person authorized to provide supervision, but the person's presence is not required during the performance of the procedure. The training of the non-physician personnel and the maintenance of the necessary equipment and supplies are the continuing responsibility of the person authorized to provide supervision.

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      radiation therapy standards of the programmatic accreditation agencies.
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                        "Temporary license" means a grant of authority by the department for an individual to perform
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      medical imaging or radiation therapy procedures pursuant to the term and requirements of section 20.3.20.321
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                        "Vascular sonography" means an examination using ultrasound to generate an image of the
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      peripheral or neck blood vessels.
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                       "Viscera of the thorax" means radiographic examination of the lungs and mediastinum.
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      [20.3.20.7 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.7 NMAC, 9/25/2018; <u>A, XX/XX/2022</u>]
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                       ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS:
      20.3.20.8
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                       "ANSI" stands for American national standards institute.
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                       "ARDMS" stands for the American registry for diagnostic medical sonography.
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                       "ARMRIT" stands for American registry of magnetic resonance imaging technologists.
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                       "ARRT" stands for the American registry of radiologic technologists.
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                       "BS" stands for breast sonography.
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                       "CAAHEP" stands for the commission on accreditation of allied health education programs.
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                       "CCI" stands for the cardiovascular credentialing international.
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                       "CHEA" stands for the council of higher education accreditation.
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                       "CNMT" stands for certified nuclear medicine technologist.
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                       "CS" stands for cardiac sonography.
                       "CT" stands for computed tomography.
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                       "DMS" stands for diagnostic medical sonography.
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                       "FUS" stands for fusion imaging.
                       "JRCDMS" stands for the joint review committee on diagnostic medical sonography.
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                       "JRCERT" stands for the joint review committee on education in radiologic technology.
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                       "JRCNMT" stands for the joint review committee on educational program in nuclear medicine
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                       "LXE" stands for limited practice radiography to the extremities.
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                       "LXP" stands for limited practice radiography to the podiatric.
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                       "LXT" stands for limited practice radiography to the viscera of the thorax.
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                       "LXV" stands for limited practice radiography to the axial/appendicular skeleton.
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                       "MR" stands for magnetic resonance.
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                       "MRT" stands for magnetic resonance technologist.
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                       "MSK" stands for diagnostic musculoskeletal technologist.
                       "NCCA" stands for national commission for certifying agencies.
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                       "NMT" stands for nuclear medicine technologist.
                       "NMTCB" stands for the nuclear medicine technologist certification board.
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                       "N" stands for nuclear medicine technology.
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                       "PBS" stands for phlebology sonography.
                       "PET" stands for positron emission tomography.
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                       "PVL" stands for provisional license.
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                       "RCCS" stands for registered congenital cardiac sonographer.
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                       "RCS" stands for registered cardiac sonographer.
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                       "RDCS" stands for registered diagnostic cardiac sonographer.
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                       "RDMS" stands for registered diagnostic medical sonographer.
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                       "RMRIT" stands for magnetic resonance imaging technologist.
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                       "RMSK" stands for registered in musculoskeletal sonography.
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                       "RPhS" stands for registered phlebology sonographer.
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                       "R" stands for radiography.
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                       "RRT" stands for radiographic radiologic technologist.
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               AN.
                       "RRA" stands for registered radiology assistant.
                       "R.T." stands for registered technologist.
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                       "RTT" stands for radiation therapy technologist.
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                       "RVS" stands for registered vascular specialist.
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"RVT" stands for registered vascular technologist.

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                        "S" stands for sonography.
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                        "T" stands for radiation therapy.
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                        "USDE" stands for United States department of education.
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                        "VS" stands for vascular sonography.
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       [20.3.20.8 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.8 NMAC, 9/25/2018]
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                        ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT: The administration and enforcement of the act
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       and this part (20.3.20 NMAC) is vested in the department.
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                        LICENSE REOUIRED:
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                        Unlawful acts. It is unlawful for an individual, other than an individual licensed by the
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       department, or who is exempt under the provisions of the act, to:
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                                 use ionizing or non-ionizing radiation for diagnostic, interventional, or therapeutic
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       purposes on humans;
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                                 use any title, abbreviation, letters, figures, signs, or other devices to indicate the
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       individual is a medical imaging or radiation therapy professional; or
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                                 engage in any of the medical imaging or radiation therapy modalities or subspecialties.
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                        Statutory exceptions. Pursuant to the act, a medical imaging license is not required for:
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                                 a licensed practitioner;
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                                 a student under the supervision of a licensed practitioner or under the direct supervision
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       of a licensed medical imaging or radiation therapy professional licensed in the modality and subspecialty in which
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       the student is performing the procedure;
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                                 a health care practitioner licensed or certified by an independent board as defined by the
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       act that has been approved by the board as provided in Subsection C of this section; or
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                                 a registered nurse or certified nurse-midwife performing ultrasound procedures; provided
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       that the registered nurse or certified nurse-midwife has documented demonstration of competency within the
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       registered nurse's scope of practice in compliance with board of nursing rules or certified nurse-midwife's scope of
       practice in compliance with department of health rules. A registered nurse or certified nurse-midwife shall not
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       perform diagnostic ultrasound examinations or ionizing procedures, including radiography, radiation therapy,
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       nuclear medicine or a non-ionizing magnetic resonance procedure, unless licensed by the department as medical
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       imaging professional or radiation therapist professional. A registered nurse or a certified nurse-midwife may
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       perform ultrasound procedures limited to a focused imaging target. A focused imaging target includes, but is not
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       limited to:
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                                          identification of an anatomical landmark or blood vessel;
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                                          assessment of presence or absence of fluid in a body cavity;
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                                          assessment of fetal presentation or heartbeat; or
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                                          assessment of foreign body position or location.
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                        An independent board or state regulatory body may submit an application for approval of their
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       medical imaging certification and examination program to the MIRTAC for review.
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                                 The MIRTAC shall consider whether the medical imaging and certification examination
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       program adequately ensures the appropriate education, training, and clinical experience while ensuring patient health
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       and safety and shall make a written recommendation to the board.
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                                 The board may approve or deny an application based on whether or not it finds adequate
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       evidence that the certification and examination program ensures appropriate education, training, and clinical
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       experience while ensuring health and patient safety.
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                                 The independent board or state regulatory body shall reapply to the board for re-approval
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if substantive changes to the certification and examination program are made subsequent to the board's approval.

Temporary exemption. The department may temporarily exempt applicants from licensure

the experience or training of the applicant is such that no apparent danger to the public

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requirements upon determining that:

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5			(ii)	an application fee; and written evidence to support the applicant's compliance with Paragraph[s] (1) and
6 7	(2) of this subse	ation	(iii)	written evidence to support the applicant's compliance with Paragraph[s] (1) and
8	E.		rory ovo	emption term. A temporary exemption approved by the board shall be for a
9	limited period of time, not to exceed one year. A temporary exemption may be renewed if the circumstances have			
10	not changed and if deemed warranted by the department.			
11	F. Temporary exemption application denial. The board, with the advice of the MIRTAC, shall			
12	resolve appeals of a denial of an application for temporary exemption pursuant to 20.3.20.600 NMAC. When			
13	making a deterr	nination of	f existen	ce of community hardship, the board will:
14		(1)		health agencies;
15		(2)		e availability of alternative medical imaging or radiation therapy services and
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17	1	(3)		e documentation from the applicant's employer or prospective employer to
18	demonstrate that recruitment of qualified individuals, at competitive compensation, has been attempted and was unsuccessful. Such demonstration may take the form of:			
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24			(c)	documentation of current and past contracting with medical imaging or radiation
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30		(1)	A licen	see's scope of practice is determined based upon the licensee's education,
31	certification, and state and federal law.			
32		(2)	The fol	llowing are the different scopes of practice for a licensee that will be recognized by
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	radiologic technologists nuclear medicine practice standards or society of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging scope of practice for nuclear medicine technologist;			
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42	radiologic techn	iologists m	_	resonance practice standards;
43			(e)	Radiologist assistant - the current version of the American society of radiologic
44	technologists radiologist assistant practice standards;			
45			(f)	Sonography - the current version of the American society of radiologic
46	technologists sonography practice standards or the society of diagnostic medical sonography scope of practice and			
47	clinical standards for the diagnostic medical sonographer; [or]			
48			(g)	Limited practice of radiography license or certificate of limited practice - the
49	current version	of the Am	erican so	ociety of radiologic technologists limited x-ray machine operator practice

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1 Computed Tomography-the current version of the American society of 2 radiologic technologists computer tomography practice standards and the Society of Nuclear Medicine and 3 Molecular Imaging. 4 B. Radiologist assistant. A radiologist assistant shall practice under the indirect supervision of a 5 radiologist and shall not interpret images, render diagnoses, or prescribe medications or therapies. 6 [20.3.20.101 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018; A, XX/XX/2022] 7 8 20.3.20.102 - 20.3.20.199 [RESERVED] 9 10 20.3.20.200 APPROVED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS: 11 A. Approved program for a medical imaging or radiation therapy license: An approved program 12 for medical imaging or radiation therapy includes: 13 an educational program in a medical imaging or radiation therapy modality that is 14 programmatically accredited by an accreditation agency recognized by the USDE or the CHEA and also recognized 15 by the board pursuant to 20.3.20.220 NMAC; or 16 an educational program in a medical imaging or radiation therapy modality that is in the 17 process of preparing for programmatic accreditation by an accreditation agency recognized by the USDE or CHEA and also recognized by the board pursuant to 20.3.20.220 NMAC. This programmatic accreditation by an 18 19 accreditation agency must be attained within five years of the effective date of this section or within five years of the 20 establishment of a new educational program. Approved program for a limited practice in radiography license: A limited radiography 21 22 program shall be reviewed by the MIRTAC and approved by the board before enrolling students into the educational program. Prior to approval of the educational program, the MIRTAC will consider if the program includes the 23 24 necessary didactic and clinical education to prepare students for the state examination for a limited practice in 25 radiography license prior to submitting its recommendations to the board. Before enrolling students or offering courses, including clinical instruction, a limited radiography program shall submit an application to the department 26 27 with supporting documentation to show compliance with this section and alignment with national educational accreditation standards. No fee is required for the application and, if all requirements are met, the department shall 28 29 issue a letter to the educational program confirming compliance with this section. 30 [20.3.20.200 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018] 31 32 20.3.20.201 - 20.3.20.219 [RESERVED] 33 34 RECOGNIZED PROGRAMMATIC ACCREDITATION ORGANIZATIONS: 20.3.20.220 35 Programmatic accreditation. To be recognized by the board, an educational program 36 accreditation agency must: be recognized by the USDE or CHEA; and 37 **(1)** 38 provide programmatic accreditation for the medical imaging or radiation therapy **(2)** 39 modality offered by the educational program. 40 Recognized programmatic accreditation organizations. Medical imaging or radiation therapy 41 programmatic accreditation agencies recognized by the board include: 42 **(1)** CAAHEP; 43 **(2)** JRCERT: and 44 JRCNMT. **(3)** 45 [20.3.20.220 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018] 46 47 20.3.20.221 - 20.3.20.299 [RESERVED] 48 49 20.3.20.300 **RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALING ORGANIZATIONS:** The board recognizes the following 50 medical imaging and radiation therapy credentialing organizations in each modality defined by the act including: 51 computed tomography: ARRT. 52 diagnostic medical sonography: ARDMS; 53 **(1)** ARRT; or 54 **(2)**

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                       magnetic resonance imaging:
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                       nuclear medicine:
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                                ARRT: or
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                       (2)
                                NMTCB.
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                       radiation therapy: ARRT.
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                       radiography: ARRT.
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                       RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS AND CERTIFICATIONS: The board recognizes the
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      following medical imaging and radiation therapy credentials and certifications for each type of license issued by the
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      department:
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                       fusion imaging- restricted to PET/CT medical imaging procedures only:
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                                (CNMT)(NMTCB) and (CT)(NMTCB);
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                                R.T. (ARRT)(N) and (ARRT)(CT);
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                                R.T. (ARRT)(N) and (NMTCB)(CT); or
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                       (4)
                                R.T. (ARRT)(R) and (NMTCB)(PET).
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               В.
                       cardiac sonography:
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                                (CCI)(RCS);
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                       (2)
                                (CCI)(RCCS); or
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                                (ARDMS)(RDCS).
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                       computed tomography: R.T. (ARRT)(CT)
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                       general sonography:
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                                RDMS (ARDMS)(AB);
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                                RDMS (ARDMS)(BR);
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                                RDMS (ARDMS)(OB);
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                                R.T. (ARRT)(S); or
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                                R.T. (ARRT)(BS).
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                       limited radiography: none.
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                       magnetic resonance imaging:
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                                (ARMRIT)(RMRIT); or
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                                R.T. (ARRT)(MR).
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               [F] G. musculoskeletal sonography: (ARDMS)(RMSK).
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               [G] H. nuclear medicine:
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                                        certified nuclear medicine technologist (NMTCB); or
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                                        nuclear medicine technology R.T. (ARRT)(N).
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               [H] I.
                       phlebology sonography: RPhS (CCI).
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                       radiation therapy: R.T. (ARRT)(T).
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               [J] <u>K.</u>
                       radiography: R.T. (ARRT)(R).
                       radiology assistant: (ARRT)(RRA).
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               [K] <u>L.</u>
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               [L] M. vascular sonography:
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                                R.T. (ARRT)(VS);
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                                RVS (CCI); or
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                                RVT(ARDMS).
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      [20.3.20.301 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018; A, XX/XX/2022]
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      20.3.20.302 - 20.3.20.309 [RESERVED]
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                       LIMITED PRACTICE OF RADIOGRAPHY LICENSE:
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                       Limited practice in radiography. An individual seeking a license for the limited practice of
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      radiography shall submit an application and applicable fee to the department, successfully complete an approved
      limited radiography program pursuant to Subsection B of 20.3.20.200 NMAC, and take and pass the state
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      examination pursuant to Subsections D and E below. Individuals that are enrolled in an approved limited practice
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      radiography program shall perform their required clinical radiography procedures under the direct supervision of a
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licensed physician or licensed radiographer. A licensee with a limited practice of radiography license shall perform

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1 restricted diagnostic radiography under direct supervision of a licensed practitioner limited to the following specific 2 procedures: 3 **(1)** the viscera of the thorax: 4 **(2)** extremities; 5 **(3)** radiation to humans for diagnostic purposes in the practice of dentistry; 6 axial/appendicular skeleton; or **(4)** 7 the foot, ankle, or lower leg. Restrictions. A licensee with a limited practice of radiography license may not: 8 B. 9 perform procedures outside the areas of specialization authorized by or under the 10 individual's license; or 11 perform procedures outside their scope of practice including, but not limited to 12 procedures involving the use of contrast media, fluoroscopic equipment, mammography, computed tomography, 13 mobile or bedside radiography, diagnostic medical sonography, magnetic resonance imaging, nuclear medicine, or 14 radiation therapy. 15 C. **Emergency provision.** A person having a valid limited practice of radiography license may perform diagnostic radiography procedures outside the normal scope of a limited practice of radiography license if 16 17 the person is employed in an area having a federal designation as a medically underserved area and the person with 18 the limited practice of radiography license is confronted with an emergency situation, where, by order of a licensed 19 practitioner, a certified nurse practitioner or a registered physician assistant, the additional diagnostic radiography 20 procedure is deemed medically necessary for the immediate safety or health of the patient. 21 Administration of state examinations. The department will not offer state examinations for 22 medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals except for a limited practice of radiography licensee pursuant to 23 Subsection E of this section. The department may administer and grade the limited practice of radiography 24 examinations, though at its option, the department may contract for such preparation, administration, and grading 25 services. 26 State examination for limited practice of radiography. An individual seeking a license for the 27 limited practice of radiography must pass a state examination for limited practice of radiography. To apply for the 28 state examination, the individual must: 29 submit an examination application with supporting documentation to the department that **(1)** 30 the individual has: completed school through the 12th grade or has passed a high school 31 (a) 32 equivalency examination; and 33 successfully completed an approved limited radiography program in one or more of the body areas of specialization. 34 35 **(2)** submit the required examination fee to the department; and 36 **(3)** successfully complete a written or computerized examination administered by the 37 department with a minimum score of seventy-five percent on both the core section and in each attempted body area 38 section of the examination. At its option, the department may contract for such preparation, administration, and 39 grading services for the limited practice of radiography examinations. 40 Failure of state examination for limited practice of radiography: 41 If an applicant fails to achieve seventy-five percent on either the core section or a body 42 area specialization section of the examination, it will be considered an examination failure and the applicant must 43 retake the failed section or sections. 44 The applicant must re-apply and pay the examination fee for each examination attempt. **(2)** 45 All sections of the examination taken on the same day are considered one examination **(3)** 46 attempt. 47 An individual who attempts and fails the state-administered examination three times will 48 be required to demonstrate to the department the successful completion of remedial education or training following 49 the third attempt that is consistent with the ARRT standards before being eligible to retake the failed section or 50 sections again. 51 [20.3.20.310 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018] 52

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20.3.20.320 LICENSES:

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                        Licensure Requirements. An applicant for a medical imaging or radiation therapy license shall
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      submit the required application to the department; the applicable application fee located in 20.3.20.501 NMAC, and
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      shall be currently certified and registered by a medical imaging or radiation therapy credentialing organization
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      recognized by the board. [An applicant for the medical imaging and radiation therapy licenses specified in the
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      following shall have until June 30, 2019 to meet the requirements of this section:
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                                20.3.20.320 NMAC:
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                                Paragraph A of 20.3.20.100 NMAC; and
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                                Subparagraphs (1), (2), (8), (10), (11), (16) and (17) of Paragraph F of 20.3.20.320
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                        Registration number. The department shall assign a department registration number to each
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      licensee regardless of the number of modalities and subspecialties licensed. The department registration number
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      shall be listed on each certificate of licensure issued by the department.
                        Term for licenses issued prior to the 15th of the month. The license term for [all] licenses
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      issued prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month [<del>, except a temporary license,</del>] will:
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                                 be for 24 months;
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                                 begin on the date the license is issued; and
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                                 end on the last day of the month the license was issued.
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               D.
                        Term for licenses issued after the 15th of the month. The license term for [all] licenses issued
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      after the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month [, except a temporary license,] will:
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                                 be for 24 months;
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                                 begin on the date the license is issued; and
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                                 end on the last day of the month following the month the license was issued.
                        Request for coordination of license and credential expiration dates. At the written request of
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      the licensee, the expiration date of their license or licenses may be reduced to match their current credentialing
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      organization's expiration date. Such reduction in term shall not reduce the applicant or licensee's license fee.
                        Types of license. Upon demonstration of compliance with all applicable requirements of the act
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      and this part, the department may grant one or more of the following types of licenses to be recognized by the
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      department:
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                                 (DMS) which includes sonography subspecialties of RDMS (ARDMS)(AB)(BR)(OB)
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      and R.T. (ARRT)(S)(BS);
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                                 (VS), which includes sonography subspecialties of (ARDMS)(RVT) and R.T. ARRT
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      (VS); [and]
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                        (17)
                                 (CS) which includes RDCS (ARDMS), RCS (CCI), and RCCS (CCI)[-]; and
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                        Certificate of licensure. Each certificate of licensure issued by the department shall identify all
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      current licenses granted to the licensee.
      [20.3.20.320 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018; A, XX/XX/2022]
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      20.3.20.321
                        TEMPORARY LICENSES:
                        Temporary license. The purpose of a temporary license is to allow an individual who has
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      completed an approved program pursuant to 20.3.20.200 NMAC to practice medical imaging or radiation therapy
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prior to sitting for their national examination with one of the medical imaging and radiation therapy credentialing

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Term for licenses issued after the 15th of the month. The license term for [all] licenses issued

be for 24 months;

be for 24 months;

after the 15th of the month [, except a temporary license,] will:

begin on the date the license is issued; and

end on the last day of the month the license was issued.

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Supervision of students or licensees.

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- Photocopying or reproduction prohibited. Photocopying or other reproduction of a certificate of licensure is prohibited.
- C. Duplicate certificate of licensure or replacement of certificate of licensure. To obtain a duplicate certificate of licensure or replacement of certificate of licensure, the licensee must submit a duplicate certificate of licensure or replacement certificate of licensure application and required fee to the department.
- Legal Name Change. To obtain a replacement certificate of licensure due to a legal name change, the licensee must submit documentation of the legal name change, a name change application, and required fee to the department.

[20.3.20.341 NMAC - N, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.342 - 20.3.20.399 [RESERVED]

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20.3.20.400 RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT, AND REAPPLICATION:

- License renewal and reinstatement. A licensee is solely responsible for ensuring they maintain A. a current license. Failure to receive notification by the department prior to the expiration date of the license is not an excuse for failure to file a timely renewal application.
- Prior to the expiration date listed on the licensee's current certificate of licensure, a licensee must submit the biennial licensure fee and completed renewal application, including any requested supporting documents to the department.
 - The department will not process an incomplete renewal application.
 - The department will process completed applications in the order received. **(3)**
- The department shall not renew a license until it is satisfied the license renewal applicant **(4)** meets all requirements of the act and this part.
- All required items must be received by the department prior to the expiration date on the licensee's current certificate of licensure or else the renewal application shall be considered incomplete. The licensee's failure to submit a complete license renewal application will result in a reinstatement fee. An earlier postmark date shall not excuse the reinstatement fee.
- If a reinstatement fee is assessed and all other requirements for renewal are met, the department will issue an invoice to the licensee that will accompany the renewed certificate of licensure.
- If an applicant or licensee fails to pay the reinstatement fee within 30 days of the **(b)** invoice date, the department may take action to suspend the license until the department has received the reinstatement fee.
- Reapplication. Reapplication is required if a license has been expired for more than one year. B. An applicant for reapplication must meet all of the requirements contained in 20.3.20.320 NMAC. [20.3.20.400 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.501 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

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20.3.20.401 - 20.3.20.499 [RESERVED]

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DEPARTMENT FORMS, CONFIDENTIALITY, AND RELEASE OF PERSONAL 20.3.20.500 **IDENTIFICATION:**

A. Department forms required.

- An individual seeking licensure or any other services listed in this part shall submit a **(1)** completed application form and applicable fee to the department.
 - The department shall create and make available all necessary application forms. **(2)**

- (4) No application shall be complete unless it is on the form prescribed by the department and includes, in legible format:
 - (a) all required personal identification;
 - (b) copies of all supporting documents specified on the form;
 - (c) full payment of required fees by a method specified on the form; and
 - (d) date and signature of the applicant.
- **B.** Confidentiality of personal identification. Personal identification collected by the department shall not be disclosed except:
 - (1) in the performance of the department's duties under the act or this part;
 - (2) as provided in this part or as required by state or federal law; or
 - (3) in response to a valid subpoena or court order.
- **C.** Release of licensee personal identification. Unless otherwise provided by law, the department shall only release a licensee's name, mailing address, department registration number, and verification of license and subspecialty. The department may release information related to an application denial or license revocation or suspension to a credentialing organization. In accordance with federal law, the department shall release any required information related to revocation or suspension of a licensee to the national practitioner data bank. [20.3.20.500 NMAC N, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.501 FEES:

- **A. Application fee.** In addition to any other fees, an application fee of \$10.00 must be submitted with each type of application available from the department, unless otherwise provided in this part.
- **B.** Initial license fee. An initial license fee of \$100.00 must be submitted with each initial license application, regardless of the number of modality and subspecialty licenses requested on the same application.
- **C. Examination fee.** An examination fee of \$150.00 must be submitted with each examination application as required in 20.3.20.310 NMAC.
- **D. Biennial licensure fee.** A biennial fee of \$100.00 may be submitted to the department prior to the expiration date of the individual's current license issued by the department. The department will renew an individual's license upon submittal of the fee and the license will be valid for 24 months after the expiration date of their current license issued by the department.
- **E.** License reinstatement fee. In addition to any other required fees, a license reinstatement fee of \$25.00 must be submitted with a license reinstatement application or if a licensee fails to submit a complete renewal application before the expiration of a license.
- F. Duplicate certificate of licensure or replacement of certificate of licensure fee. A fee of \$5.00 will be required for each duplicate certificate of licensure or replacement of certificate of licensure requested in the application and a fee of \$5.00 for each additional duplicate certificate of license or replacement of certificate of licensure ordered from all other application forms that provide the option to request additional original duplicate certificates of licensure or replacement of certificate of licensure.
- **G. Temporary license fee.** A temporary license fee of \$50.00 must be submitted with each temporary license application.
- **H. Provisional license fee.** A provisional license fee of \$25.00 must be submitted with a provisional license application.
- **I. License verification fee.** A license verification fee of \$10.00 for each verification must be submitted with each license verification form.
- J. Legal name change fee. A legal name change fee of \$15.00 must be submitted with each legal name change application.
- **K. Refunds.** Fees submitted to the department are non-refundable and non-transferrable. However, if the department determines that fees have been received in excess of the amount legally due, the department will refund the excess amount portion of the received fee upon receipt of a written request from the individual who paid the excess fee amount, or that individual's legal representative.
- L. Nonsufficient funds fee. If the department is unable to process the fees submitted by the applicant, then the name of that licensee will be removed from the list of all New Mexico active radiologic technologists, which appears on the New Mexico environment department's radiation control bureau website, and

the department will assess a \$25.00 nonsufficient fund fee. That licensee must submit payment to the department in the form of a cashiers' check or money order.

[20.3.20.501 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.600 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.502 - 20.3.20.599 [RESERVED]

20.3.20.600 DENIAL, REVOCATION, OR SUSPENSION OF LICENSE:

- **A. Denial of application.** The department may not issue a license to an applicant who has failed to meet the requirements of the act or this part.
- **B.** Suspension, revocation, application of uniform licensing act. The board, with advice from the advisory council, may deny, revoke, or suspend a license granted or applied for under the act and this part, pursuant to the procedures established in the Uniform Licensing Act Section 61-1-1 through 61-1-34 NMSA 1978, upon grounds that the medical imaging or radiation therapy licensee or applicant:
- (1) is guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure any type of license or service from the department;
 - (2) has been convicted of a felony subsequent to licensure;
 - (3) is unfit or incompetent;
 - is habitually intemperate or is addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs;
 - (5) is mentally incompetent;
 - (6) has aided and abetted an individual who is not a licensee in engaging in the activities of a
- (7) has failed to maintain a credential or certification in the modality and subspecialty for which a license was granted;
- (8) has engaged in any practice beyond the licensee's scope of practice in violation of state or federal law or facility policy;
- (9) is guilty of unprofessional conduct or unethical conduct as defined in Subsection C of this
 - (10) has interpreted a diagnostic imaging exam for a patient, a patient's family, or the public;
 - (11) has willfully or repeatedly violated any provisions of the act or this part;
- (12) has failed to notify the department in writing within 30 days of any final disciplinary action by a licensing board or credentialing organization, including but not limited to sanction, probation, suspension, or revocation; or
- (13) is not in compliance with the terms of the New Mexico Parental Responsibility Act, Section 40-5A-1 to 40-5A-13 NMSA 1978; in taking action under this provision, the board shall follow the procedures in 20.1.7 NMAC named "Parental Responsibility Act Compliance."
- C. Unprofessional or unethical conduct. With respect to the grounds for denial, revocation, or suspension under Section 61-14E-11 NMSA 1978, the terms "unprofessional conduct" or "unethical conduct" shall refer to, but shall not be limited to any licensee, applicant, medical imaging professional, or radiation therapist who:
- (1) is engaged in the practice of medical imaging or radiation therapy while in an intoxicated condition or under the influence of a narcotic or other drug that impairs consciousness, judgment, or behavior;
 - (2) is engaged in unethical conduct while practicing medical imaging or radiation therapy;
- (3) has engaged in the willful falsification of records, or destruction or theft of property or records relating to the practice of medical imaging or radiation therapy;
 - (4) fails to exercise due regard for the safety of life or health of the patient;
 - (5) has unauthorized access to or disclosure of information relating to a patient's records;
- (6) discriminates against any individual because of race, religion, creed, color, national origin, sex, or sex while practicing medical imaging or radiation therapy;
 - (7) has been convicted of a felony subsequent to licensure by the department;
- (8) impersonates a current or former licensee or engages in the activities of medical imaging or radiation therapy under an assumed name;
- (9) is applying ionizing or non-ionizing radiation to a human being without a specific prescription or direction of a licensed practitioner or other health care practitioner authorized to order a medical imaging or radiation therapy;
- (10) is incompetent or negligent in activities related to medical imaging, radiation therapy, or limited practice of radiography;

(11) is continuing to practice without obtaining a license or renewal as required by the act or

this part;

(12) is using the prefix "Dr.", unless entitled to do so pursuant to a degree granted, the word "doctor", or any suffix or affix to indicate or imply that the individual is a licensed practitioner when not so licensed;

- (13) is providing false, misleading, or deceptive information on any application or supporting documents submitted to the department;
- (14) is failing to conform to nationally recognized practice standards as applicable to each modality or subspecialty;
- (15) fails to disclose in writing to the department any felony conviction or non-compliance with the New Mexico Parental Responsibility Act, Section 40-5A-1 to 40-5A-13 NMSA 1978, within 30 days of the conviction or judgment; or
- (16) fails to disclose in writing to the department any sanction, probation, suspension, or revocation by a state agency or credentialing organization within 30 days of such occurrence.
- **D.** Opportunity for licensee or applicant to have a hearing. Any licensee or applicant whose license or license application is denied, revoked, or suspended under this part shall be afforded notice and an opportunity to be heard pursuant to the procedures established in the Uniform Licensing Act, Sections 61-1-1 to -34 NMSA 1978, the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Health and Safety Act, Section 61-14E-11 NMSA 1978, and the adjudicatory procedures for the environmental improvement board in 20.1.2 NMAC.
- **E. Application of uniform licensing act.** The department shall comply with the provisions of the Uniform Licensing Act, Section 61-1-1 to 61-1-34 NMSA 1978, and any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.
- [20.3.20.600 NMAC Rp, 20.3.20.400 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.601 - 20.3.20.699 [RESERVED]

20.3.20.700 SEVERABILITY: If any provision or application of this part is held invalid, the remainder, or its application to other situations or persons, shall not be affected.

28 [20.3.20.700 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.700 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

 20.3.20.701 AMENDMENT AND SUPERSESSION OF PRIOR REGULATIONS: This part shall be construed as amending and superseding the regulations on the practice of medical imaging or radiation therapy, EIB/MRHSA 1, filed January 11, 1988, as amended. All references to the regulations on the practice of medical imaging or radiation therapy in any other rule shall be construed as a reference to this part. [20.3.20.701 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.701 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.702 SAVING CLAUSE: Supersession of the regulations on the practice of medical imaging or radiation therapy shall not affect any administrative or judicial enforcement action pending on the effective date of this part nor the validity of any license granted or certificate of licensure issued pursuant to the regulations on the practice of medical imaging or radiation therapy.

[20.3.20.702 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.702 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.703 CONSTRUCTION: This part shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purpose of the act. [20.3.20.703 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.703 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

20.3.20.704 COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER REGULATIONS: Compliance with this part does not relieve an individual from the obligation to comply with other applicable state and federal regulations. [20.3.20.704 NMAC - Rp, 20.3.20.704 NMAC, 9/25/2018]

HISTORY OF 20.3.20 NMAC:

Pre-NMAC History: The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the commission of public records - state records center and archives. EIB/MRHSA 1, Regulations on the Practice of Radiologic Technology, 11/11/1988.

History of repealed material: 20 NMAC 3.2, Radiologic Technology Certification, (filed 12/15/1995), repealed 8/31/2005.

20.3.20 NMAC, Radiologic Technology Certification, effective 8/31/2005, repealed 9/25/2018. 1

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Other History:

- 4 EIB/MRHSA 1, Regulations on the Practice of Radiologic Technology (filed 11/11/1988) was renumbered,
- 5 reformatted and amended as 20 NMAC 3.2, Radiologic Technology Certification, effective 1/14/1996.
- 20 NMAC 3.2, Radiologic Technology Certification, (filed 12/15/1995) was replaced by 20.3.20, Radiologic
- 6 7 Technology Certification, effective 8/31/2005.
- 8 20.3.20 NMAC Radiologic Technology Certification, effective 8/31/2005, was replaced by 20.3.20, Medical
- 9 Imaging and Radiation Therapy Licensure, effective 9/25/2018

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF STEPHEN SANCHEZ

I. INTRODUCTION

This technical testimony is submitted by Stephen Sanchez, Program Administrator of the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Program ("Program") of the Radiation Control Bureau ("Bureau") within the New Mexico Environment Department ("Department"). The hearing is to be held via internet (Zoom) and via telephone beginning at 9:00 a.m. on March 25, 2022 before the Environmental Improvement Board ("Board").

The purpose of this testimony is to describe the proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC and to provide justification for the proposed amendments. The Bureau proposes several amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC, the most notable amendment being the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license. This guarantees that practitioners who administer CT procedures in the state must undergo certain certification standards and training, and have a basic level of education, knowledge, and skill. Other amendments include clarifying the requirements and scope of practice for the Provisional License, which is a license for individuals who are on a pathway to becoming registered and certified in the diagnostic imaging modality they are pursuing. The Bureau would also like to take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor and typographical errors.

II. BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

I, Stephen Sanchez, have been employed by the Department for 23 years and 2 months. I currently hold the position of Program Administrator for the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Program for the past 22 years. In this position, I am solely responsible for the administration of a state-wide licensure program for all medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals who practice diagnostic medical imaging and radiation therapy, who are employed

in New Mexico, currently there are over 2,900 medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals that are licensed by the Department.

III. PUBLIC OUTREACH

On October 26, 2021, the Department filed a petition with the Board for a public hearing in this matter. On November 19, 2021 at a meeting conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and other applicable requirements, the Board granted the Department's request for a hearing and scheduled the hearing at the Board's regularly scheduled meeting on March 25, 2022.

The Department prepared the "New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board Notice of Public Hearing to Consider Proposed Amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC of the Radiation Protection Regulations EIB 21-56" in both English and Spanish ("Public Notice") (**NMED Exhibit 6**). The Public Notice stated that the Board may make a decision on the proposed regulations at the conclusion of the hearing or may convene at a later date to consider action on the proposal. The Public Notice complies with the requirements of 20.1.1.301(B) NMAC.

The Public Notice was published in English and Spanish in the Albuquerque Journal on December 26, 2021 and the New Mexico Register on December 28, 2021, as required by 20.1.1.301(A) NMAC (NMED Exhibits 7-10).

Public notice requirements in compliance with NMSA 1978, Section 14-4-5.2 (2017), as incorporated into the Board's rulemaking regulations in 20.1.1.301(A) NMAC and 20.1.1.7(N) NMAC, were met. The Department posted the Public Notice on the Board's website on December 7, 2021, as required by 20.1.1.7(N)(1) NMAC, which is available online via public search at https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ (NMED Exhibit 11). The Department also posted the Public Notice on the Department's Public Notice webpage on December 7, 2021, which is

available online via public search at https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/ (NMED Exhibit 12).

The Department posted the Public Notice on the New Mexico Sunshine Portal on December 9, 2021 as required by 20.1.1.7(N)(2) NMAC, available online via public search at https://statenm.secure.force.com/public/SSP_RuleHearingSearchPublic (NMED Exhibit 13). The Department provided the Public Notice to the Legislative Council for distribution via email on December 7, 2021, pursuant to 20.1.17(N)(7) NMAC (NMED Exhibit 15).

The Public Notice was also made available to the Bureau's district offices in Santa Fe. (NMED Exhibit 14). The Bureau's other office in Albuquerque is closed to the public as of the date of this NOI. The Department will make the Public Notice available once this office opens, as required by 20.1.1.7(N)(3) NMAC. As of the date of this NOI, no person has made a written request for notice of announcements addressing the subject of this rulemaking proceeding. If the Department receives such a written request, it will send to the person a copy of the Public Notice by email, as required by 20.1.1.7(N)(4) NMAC.

As of the date of this NOI, no person who participated in the rulemaking has provided an email address or a postal address to the board administrator regarding this rulemaking. If the Department receives such a request, it will send to the person a copy of the Public Notice via email or certified mail return receipt requested, as required by 20.1.1.7(N)(5) and (6) NMAC. The Department did, however, provide the Public Notice to individuals whose email addresses are included in the EIB rulemaking listsery and to members of the MIRTAC (NMED Exhibits 16 and 17).

Per 20.1.1.301(A) NMAC, the Department provided public notice of the proposed rulemaking at least 60 days prior to the hearing.

As required by NMSA 1978, Section 14-4A-4 (2005), the Public Notice was provided to the Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission via email on December 9, 2021 (NMED Exhibit 18). On December 14, 2021, the Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission informed the Department that the proposed amendments will not pose a hardship to small businesses. (NMED Exhibit 19).

Pursuant to Section 61-14E-5, the proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC were provided to the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council ("MIRTAC") at its December 20, 2019 meeting, which was conducted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 10-5-1 to -4 (1953, as amended through 2013). The MIRTAC consented to the proposed amendments of 20.3.20 NMAC (**NMED Exhibit 20**).

VII. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 20.3.20 NMAC

A summary of the Bureau's proposed amendments is described below. The proposed amendments consist of the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license and clarification of the requirements for the Provisional License. The Bureau will also take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor and typographical errors.

20.3.20.7 Definitions

The definition of "modality" has been expanded to include "computed tomography and all of its subspecialties."

20.3.20.100 License Required

The Bureau would like to fix one minor typographical error in 20.3.20.100(D)(3)(iii) NMAC and add an "s" to the word Paragraph.

20.3.20.101 Scope of Practice

This Bureau would like to add a "Computed Tomography" or CT license, which would be available to those individuals who have already completed an approved medical imaging program and completed the additional didactic and clinical education requirements that qualify them to take the national CT examination, offered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists ("ARRT"), which if passed, would meet the requirements to obtain a NM CT license. The addition of a CT license will maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from ionizing radiation in the practice of medical diagnostic CT imaging, by establishing requirements for appropriate education and training of these individuals who perform diagnostic CT medical imaging procedures. Chandra Gerrard will provide a more thorough explanation in her testimony for why the MIRTAC decided to add "computed tomography" as an additional license that is offered by the Department.

20.3.20.300 Recognized Credentialing Organizations

This section discusses the medical imaging and radiation therapy credentialing organizations that are recognized by the Board for each type of medical imaging and radiation therapy license offered by the Program. The Bureau proposes to add "computed tomography: ARRT" to this section. ARRT is the credentialing organization for "computed tomography."

20.3.20.301 Recognized Credentials and Certifications

This section presents the different types of medical imaging and radiation therapy licenses within the Bureau. The proposed amendments seek to add licensure for individuals that practice computed tomography. The proposed amendments also provide a list of the credentials or modalities that will be required for the computed tomography license. Chandra Gerrard will

provide a more thorough explanation in her testimony about the credentials and certifications for the computed tomography license.

20.3.20.320 Licenses

The regulations state that individuals who are employed in New Mexico as medical imaging or radiation therapy professionals must be licensed by the Department prior to performing any diagnostic medical imaging procedures. In 2018, when the current regulations were promulgated, this section provided for a delayed effective date of June 30, 2019 for individuals who utilize non-ionizing radiation to meet the regulatory requirements imposed by this section. Since June 30, 2019 has passed, the Bureau proposes to remove all language regarding the requirements surrounding the delayed effective date.

The Bureau is proposing to remove excess language to clarify the requirements for licensure terms. Finally, the Bureau is also proposing to add "CT" under the types of licenses that will be recognized by the Department. Chandra Gerrard will provide a more thorough explanation in her testimony for why the MIRTAC decided to add "CT" as an additional license offered by the Department.

20.3.20.322 Provisional license

A provisional license was established to permit individuals who are pursuing a new type of medical imaging modality, while being in compliance with the NM diagnostic medical imaging licensure requirements, which require that individual's be licensed by the Department prior to performing any diagnostic medical imaging or radiation therapy procedures, by providing a pathway for individuals to cross train or pursue a new medical imaging modality, which would qualify them for a NM medical imaging license. This type of license benefits individuals who are currently in the diagnostic medical imaging profession, but who are not enrolled in an approved

educational program, which if they were, would not require a provisional license, because they would be exempt from NM medical imaging licensure while they are enrolled in an approved medical imaging program.

The Bureau proposes to clarify the requirements for a provisional license by removing the phrase "is currently licensed by the department" and replacing that phrase with the following sentence: "A provisional license to practice medical imaging or radiation therapy utilizing ionizing radiation will not be issued to individuals who are not already licensed by the department in one of the modalities that utilizes ionizing radiation." The foregoing sentence makes it clear that an applicant for a provisional license to practice medical imaging or radiation therapy utilizing ionizing radiation must already be licensed by the Department in one of the modalities that utilizes ionizing radiation in order to ensure patient safety. These amendments will help clarify the requirements for obtaining a provisional license so there is less confusion among the regulated community.

20.3.20.330 Continuing Education

The Bureau proposes to add "or with an active provisional license" in order to clarify existing Bureau business practice with regard to the continuing education requirements.

Stephen M. Sanchez

Objective

Employment with a progressive state government agency with opportunity for advancement and one that is committed to continuous improvement in providing better service to the public which it serves.

Experience

June 2000 to Present

NM Environment Department

Santa Fe. NM

Business Operations Specialist

I oversee the administration of the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Program (MIRT Program), a statewide program that provides professional licensure for Diagnostic Medical Imaging Professionals and Radiation Therapy Professionals. Some of my responsibilities are to ensure that individuals who are employed in NM as Medical Imaging Professionals or Radiation Therapy Professional have met the requirements for NM licensure according to NM rules and regulations relating to professional licensure. This includes performing on site inspections to help ensure compliance with these rules and regulations. I also assist in creating and monitoring the MIRT Program operating budget; reconciling all fees received with the amounts deposited; and perform projections of revenues and operating expenses. I also work with the NM Child Support Enforcement Division to help assure compliance with court orders for child support responsibilities of active licensees under the MIRT Program; prepare reports and presentations for the MIRT Program; assist the Radiation Control Bureau in the preparation of the bureau's strategic plan; conduct outreach to the regulated community and higher education institutions offering approved Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Programs; and make presentations providing the regulated community with explanations of NM rules and regulations that directly affect the way they practice their profession. I am one of the NM Environment Department's Record Liaison Officers, in which I am responsible for submitting official documents for storage to the NM Records and Achieves Department as required by each type of official document's retention schedule as outlined by applicable law. I am the primary contact of international, national, state and local organizations relating to the practice of Medical Imaging or Radiation Therapy by licensed professionals in New Mexico. I have a firm understanding of the NM legislative process and the NM rule making process. This has been useful in assisting the NM Environment Department with the passage of legislation and the successful repeal and replacement of rules for the Radiologic Technologist Program. My primary accomplishment in the management of the MIRT Program has been the formulation and implementation of policies and procedures that have resulted in an extremely efficient government program that has been recognized by the regulated community as to the dramatic and noticeable improvement of the MIRT Program. Some, but certainly not all of my accomplishments include: same day processing of NM Medical Imaging or Radiation Therapy licensure applications for initial licensure or renewal of licensure, which used to take weeks prior to my employment; and successful implementation of new policies and procedures; involvement with the design, testing and implementation of two databases that are used by the MIRT Program; leading the country in rules and regulations that pertain to Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy, being the first state in the United States to create a Fusion Imaging Licensure, Registered Radiologist Assistant Licensure and most recently Non-Ionizing Diagnostic Medical Imaging Licensure, such as Sonography; and making available to NM Licensees many of the services offered by the MIRT Program in an electronic format to the extent that the NM Environment Department's limitations allow.

Stephen M. Sanchez

April 2002 to May 2008

MESA Ltd., DBA Home Run Pizza

Santa Fe, NM

Owner and General Manager

Oversight over all aspects of the operation of a small food service business specializing in pizza delivery and carryout; prepared operating budgets, strategic planning, which involved the development and implementation of business plan; and strategic goals for the company; responsible for interviewing, hiring and supervising all employees including two assistant managers, delivery drivers and in-store employees. This included the maintenance of all required employment records, employee training and all other human resource responsibilities; implementation and maintenance of a point of sale system to keep track of employees' time, sales, employees' work schedules, sales forecasts, and food inventory management; made all food orders and all other procurement necessary for business operations; prepared daily deposits, payroll, tax deposits, bank reconciliation, prepared financial statements, analyzed financial statements and prepared sales forecasts and cash management.

March 1999 to June 2000

NM Environment Department

Santa Fe, NM

Financial Specialist III

Conducted financial audits for claims submitted to the Underground Storage Tank Bureau (USTB), currently called the Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau. Processed claims submitted using the Oracle financial system; communicated directly with those businesses that submitted claims that were incomplete or required additional information to complete the claims process; maintained accurate records and other notations of claims and maintained accurate recordkeeping of those companies and their consultants which submitted claims for reimbursement. Another part of my employment was to assist the bureau's database administrator in the maintenance of the bureau's database, performed computer training to USTB employees and installed purchased computer equipment and software; prepared and maintained USTB organizational charts. I was also involved in the designing and planning of a project to implement a Geographic Information System with the existing database used by the USTB; maintained field equipment inventory used by USTB inspectors; generated reports using Oracle Browser; prepared monthly updates to the USTB web page; and participated in the strategic planning of the USTB.

July 1997 to December 1999

Accounting, Bookkeeping & Consulting Company

Espanola, NM

Owner

 Owned and operated a bookkeeping service that provided payroll preparation, general ledger maintenance, accounts payable and financial statement preparation for small businesses.

Education

1998

University of New Mexico

Albuquerque, NM

Bachelor of University Studies

1995

Albuquerque Technical – Vocational Institute

Albuquerque, NM

Associates of Arts, Liberal Arts

References are available on request.

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF CHANDRA GERRARD

I. INTRODUCTION

This testimony is submitted by Chandra Gerrard, MPH, BS, RT(R)(CT)(MR)(QM), CIIP, Chair of the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council ("MIRTAC"). The hearing is to be held via internet (Zoom) and via telephone beginning at 9:00 a.m. on March 25, 2022 before the Environmental Improvement Board ("Board").

The purpose of this testimony is to provide background information related to the request to amend the current version of 20.3.20 NMAC, Radiation Protection Regulations, 20.3.20 NMAC, under NMSA 1978, Section 61-14E-5 (2009) and provide expert testimony regarding specifics related to the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license and the clarification of the requirements and scope of practice for the Provisional License.

II. BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

I, Chandra Gerrard, have been employed by University of New Mexico Hospitals for 2.5 years. I currently hold the position of Manger Clinical Imaging Systems, Radiology Informatics, in the IT department servicing Radiology as the primary customer. Prior to this position I worked as Radiology faculty at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine as a clinical radiology research technologist for 3 years, performing clinical trial protocol reviews for radiology feasibility for the University of New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Center, as well as developed workflows to enable research participants to be imaged on clinical scanners (acquisition protocol development etc.), created research referral billing processes and helped establish the Human Imaging Research Core. Prior to that, I was the Supervisor of Forensic Imaging at the New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator for 7 years performing a variety of x-ray examinations, CT examinations, and Magnetic Resonance Imaging ("MRI") examinations. This role included the development of many novel acquisition protocols used for post-mortem imaging as well as being the lead technologist in several grants using both CT and MRI as the primary acquisition modality. Prior to that, I was a staff CT technologist and later the CT Supervisor at University of New Mexico Hospitals performing a variety of CT examinations at the only level 1 trauma hospital in the state. I have held numerous leadership roles including clinical instructor, CT Physics instructor, imaging technologist, supervisor, and manager.

I am currently responsible for all the operations of the applications used in Radiology to promote dictation of radiologic imaging. This includes the Picture Archiving and Communication System ("PACS"), modality configuration, dozens of on premises and virtual machines (servers), 80+ PACS interpretation workstations, 35+ software applications of varying types, including applications dedicated to post processing of the advanced imaging modalities such as CT and MRI, as well as radiation tracking software for the CT scanners and interventional radiology equipment. I am also responsible for connecting the clinical workflows within Radiology to the language of IT. I chair the Clinical Informatics Radiology Subcommittee for the health system in which the focus is to assist Clinical Informatics Oversight in fulfilling its responsibilities related to developing best practice standards for the radiologic imaging enterprise within the Electronic Health Record and other healthcare technologies. For the purposes of this committee, radiologic

imaging enterprise consists of a comprehensive approach to enable consistency within any imaging-related interaction, with the intent to improve functionality and ease-of-use. Related to CT experience, I have developed numerous acquisition protocols by collaborating with radiology section chiefs for live patient and post-mortem scanning. As the CT Physics instructor for the Radiologic Sciences program, I worked with the Program Director to develop structured education units required for submission to apply for the Computed Tomography examination with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

I have served on a variety of national committees focused on the profession of Computed Tomography, including the Computed Tomography Practice Standards Subcommittee for three separate terms. The Subcommittee's focus is to review the American Society of Radiologic Technologists ("ASRT") practice standards for the CT modality. I also served as delegate and Chair of the Computed Tomography Chapter for the ASRT. The Chapter represents the technologists of the given specialty and speaks on their behalf during the House of Delegates and other important matters such as licensure. I have served on the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Committee ("MIRTAC") from 2019 to the present and am now Chair. During my time on the MIRTAC, I was part of a committee made up of experts in the field of imaging and radiation therapy services and in collaboration with the experts, helped draft the proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC. I will discuss the development of 20.3.20 NMAC in further detail later in my testimony.

III. HISTORY OF X-RAY AND COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY

X-rays were first discovered in 1895 by physicist, Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen. The discovery was initially determined to be safe and quickly grew in popularity for use in medicine: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/8696882/. In 1927, Hermann Joseph Muller was able to prove that x-rays (ionizing radiation) could cause damage to the DNA of a cell. Damage to the cell meant that the cell itself may not repair itself properly and may have mutations occur as a result: https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/medicine/1946/muller/biographical/. Over the next few decades, more research was done to identify the effects of ionizing radiation to the body. Some of which can result in a variety of cancers given the location of where the x-rays are taken, age and sex of the patient and other factors: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3548988/.

From the discovery of x-rays and for many years to follow, people performing x-rays did not have consistent education backgrounds (physicists, scientists, secretaries, nurses, physicians, nuns, etc.). There were no set standards. X-ray machines were being used for medical imaging but also became quite popular to help with shoe fitting at various locations throughout the country. Once more research occurred around x-rays and radiation dose thresholds, machines such as a shoe fitter and the early x-ray and fluoroscopy units were determined to be emitting excessively high doses of radiation. Even as information was being released regarding safe use, many businesses and hospitals continued operations like normal, refuting the claims that x-rays can cause harm to human tissues: https://www.orau.org/health-physics-museum/collection/shoe-fitting-fluoroscope/index.html.

Around the same time, there continued to be discussions about formalizing training and education. These discussions started in the 1920's, and to this day, there are still some states that

lack standardization and minimum criteria for those performing radiologic exams. There remains a handful of states that do not have a requirement to have licensed individuals performing medical imaging and radiation therapy procedures. The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists ("ARRT"), previously called the American Registry of X-Ray Technicians, was founded in 1936. Over the course of the next 60+ years, each of the imaging specialties (Computed Tomography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Mammography, etc.), were added to the ARRT's Registry as certification tests. As new advances in imaging became mainstream, the need to qualify individuals to perform imaging in a consistent and safe manner became even more important: https://www.arrt.org/pages/about/about-us/history. In the mid 1970's, as defined in Title 10, Section 20.1003, of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR 20.1003), the term, "as low as reasonably achievable" ("ALARA"), was introduced. ALARA means that the operator of the imaging equipment has a duty to acquire the requested imaging with as low a radiation dose as possible, while also maintaining diagnostic quality: image https://hps.org/publicinformation/ate/q8375.html.

Computerized Tomography (for years known as Computed Axial Tomography [CAT scan]), was developed by noted engineers Sir Godfrey Hounsfield and Allan Cormack in 1971. Over the course of the next 50 years, CAT scan hardware and capabilities changed as well as the acronym. CAT scans became CT scans. The scanners evolved from a single section (single slice) of the body being scanned per rotation of the x-ray tube to being able to scan hundreds of slices per rotation of the x-ray tube. CT scans also skyrocketed in popularity for use by the medical community and has been described as one of the greatest medical inventions of our time. Unfortunately, with CT's popularity came unintended consequences. CTs are essentially a required tool used for emergency and trauma evaluations, routine outpatient studies and everything in between. Depending on the year, CTs attribute to 25-35% of the manmade radiation dose source received by the public: https://www.epa.gov/radiation/radiation-sources-and-doses. Radiation dose is at the center of this testimony and why having certified and licensed technologists be the only people performing CTs is needed.

In a 2015 report submitted by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, over 80 million scans were performed in the United States alone. This number is not expected to decrease anytime https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-andsoon: Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-15-38.pdf. public has shown concern with risks associated with the use of ionizing radiation, pretty much since its inception. These concerns continue to grow as medical imaging use increases each year, become more accessible, and is requested by providers more than ever before. A quick PubMed search will yield many peer-reviewed articles about research being conducted to assess radiation and the human body. For CT alone, there are hundreds of research studies assessing risk of CT long-term effects in both adult and pediatric populations: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=Computed+tomography+radiation+risk. In the mid 2000's, work was underway to demonstrate the need for radiation safety during ionizing radiation procedures. Both the Image Gently and Image Wisely campaigns were initiated and call attention making proactive measures to reduce radiation dose to both pediatric and adult patients. Not only are imaging technologists a main stakeholder in these initiatives, but as are radiologists, medical physicists, vendors, and dozens of professional medical societies:

IV. SAFETY IN PERFORMING COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY

CT scanners continue to evolve and become more advanced each year. The advancements are always based on the tenets of reducing radiation dose while maintaining or improving image quality. Examples include radiation dose reduction techniques, hardware and software improvements to create faster acquisition times, enhanced pre- and post-processing applications and more technically advanced acquisition protocols (e.g., scanning full anatomic regions in seconds). Although systems are becoming more controlled with how much radiation can be output, that is not always enough to ensure the equipment is being used by the appropriate personnel.

The American Society of Radiologic Technologists ("ASRT") is the largest society worldwide for medical imaging and radiation therapy technologists. As of now, there are 156,000 members. The mission of the ASRT is to, "advance and elevate the medical imaging and radiation and to enhance the quality and safety of patient care": therapy profession https://www.asrt.org/main/about-asrt/who-we-are. The ASRT is an integral partner for how imaging technologies establish position statements, develop and maintain best practice standards, and assist heavily in grassroots and legislative efforts. Some of the legislative efforts include maintaining licensure standards as well as preventing other specialties (e.g., nursing), from encroaching on medical imaging by performing medical imaging without the background to do so. As part of the ASRT, each modality (CT, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, etc.), has a set of Practice Standards. The CT Practice Standards state, "The medical imaging and radiation therapy professional and any individual who is legally authorized to perform medical imaging must be educationally prepared and clinically competent as a prerequisite to professional practice". This language is increasingly important when discussing patient safety and advocating for licensure around the performance of CT exams: https://www.asrt.org/docs/default-source/practicestandards/ps computedtomography.pdf?sfvrsn=9e076d0 24

One case to bring attention to and for why the public should be concerned with who performs their CT scan took place in 2009. A provider requested a CT scan of the cervical spine be performed on a pediatric patient after sustaining a fall. Speaking as a CT technologist, this scan should have taken 10-15 minutes total. The 10-15 minutes includes verification of patient ID and exam type, getting the patient onto the CT couch (table), positioning the patient, selecting the acquisition protocol on the scanner, and acquiring the images. In this case, this pediatric patient, around the age of 2 years old, had his cervical spine scanned 151 times. I repeat, 151 times. This child's eyes, face and neck were subject to such high amounts of radiation that the child's face showed radiation burns shortly after the procedure was terminated. The child was in the scan room for more than an hour and the technologist indicated she did not recall pressing the button but more than 4-6 times. What is more, the scan had to be repeated by another technologist who was able to perform one scan with the patient in the room for around 10 minutes total: https://www.auntminnie.com/index.aspx?sec=ser&sub=def&pag=dis&ItemID=88757.

Consequently, the child's lifetime risk for developing cancer is significantly increased as has been shown with other studies around the use of high doses of radiation in the pediatric population:

https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/1696279. This is an extreme example of how having a technologist who is not competent can cause catastrophic lifelong consequences to their patient within a relatively short period of time. Advocating for having imaging technologists be certified in the specialty they are performing exams not only demonstrates to the patient that the technologist is educationally prepared, but also ensures the technologist has an additional understanding of the equipment they are operating.

In conclusion, CT scanners can pose a danger (both immediate and long term) to patients which is why having certified and licensed technologists is really the best way to advocate for patient safety.

V. CHANGES TO EXISTING FUSION LICENSE AND NEED FOR SEPARATE CT LICENSE IN NEW MEXICO

The Fusion Imaging license was implemented in the rules in 2009. Normally speaking though, Nuclear Medicine technologists are technically permitted to perform PET/CT and SPECT CT as part of their scopes of practice through both the ASRT and the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging (SNMMI). However, institutions within the state often require additional credentials and/or licensure of their technologists to be able to perform PET/CT and SPECT CT. Institutional requirements supersede scopes of practice which is what led to the creation of the Fusion Imaging license to begin with. Creating the Fusion Imaging license allowed Nuclear Medicine technologists to obtain a state license that permitted them to be able to perform PET/CT and SPECT CT and comply with specific institutional requirements in the state. At that time, they were also able to perform diagnostic CT if they possessed additional certification such as ARRT(CT). However, new language for the Fusion Imaging license went into effect September 25, 2018. The language specified that individuals with a Fusion Imaging license could only perform PET/CT procedures and was listed as such on those individual's certificate of licensure. By adding that verbiage to the Fusion Imaging license, this essentially removed the ability for technologists who had primary certification in Nuclear Medicine from being able to perform diagnostic CT exams.

As of now, the state does not currently have a dedicated CT license. The Fusion license limits Nuclear Medicine technologists from performing diagnostic CT even if the Nuclear Medicine technologist possesses the appropriate national certification. Thus, the pool of qualified technologists being able to perform diagnostic CT in the state is greatly reduced. The reduced workforce available for certified CT technologists is even more concerning amidst the pandemic with many CT departments required to hire traveling technologists to backfill positions. Currently, only technologists with a primary certification in Radiography [R.T. (ARRT)(R)], are allowed to perform diagnostic CTs in the state. This is in part because the radiography credential and license are identified as a stand-alone license for the state. Additionally, the rules for *radiograph* "Modality", Section 20.3.20.7, Definitions, AM, (5), define the modality word radiograph as "radiography and all of its subspecialties". CT would be considered a subspecialty in this sense since it is not a stand-alone license.

Adding a stand-alone CT license to 20.3.20 NMAC would not only resolve the issue of Nuclear Medicine technologists who have proven themselves to be educationally competent and prepared to perform diagnostic CT, this would also add an additional layer of patient safety, requiring technologists who have not obtained CT credentials to become credentialed in the modality for which they are performing imaging.

VI. DISCUSSION REGARDING REVISIONS TO 20 3 20 NMAC RCB REGULATIONS

There are several proposed changes throughout 20.3.20 NMAC since the New Mexico Environment Department is proposing an amendment to add a new license for medical imaging. Stephen Sanchez will address the majority of those changes in his testimony, **NMED Exhibit 2**. Below, I will discuss the changes to 20.3.20.101 NMAC, 20.3.20.301 NMAC, and 20.3.20.320.

20.3.20.101 Scope of Practice

Adding "computed tomography" scopes of practice from the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) and the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging (SNMMI) ensures the licensee is practicing computed tomography within the recommendations of being educationally prepared and clinically competent. Having both scopes of practice allow the licensee to refer to the scope that also covers some primary pathway details. SNMMI is the primary society many Nuclear Medicine technologists refer to, thus having SNMMI recognized as a scope of practice in the statutes, questions that may be received by the Bureau can more appropriately be answered and more reflective of the requester's professional society. This also falls in line with the other scopes of practice for disciplines that have multiple professional societies such as sonography.

20.3.20.301 Recognized Credentials and Certifications

The MIRTAC is recommending moving forward with R.T. (ARRT)(CT) as the only recognized credential to obtain CT licensure in the state. The (NMTCB)(CT) credential was discussed at great length with content experts, however (NMTCB)(CT) was not passed as a recognized credential to perform diagnostic CT due to level of rigor needed to obtain competencies and training to perform diagnostic CT (comparisons available in **NMED Exhibit 21**). Although (NMTCB)(CT) requires candidates to perform diagnostic CT competencies prior to taking the exam, the number of procedure categories the candidate must fulfill, number of overall repetitions, and length of time to obtain competencies served as the MIRTAC's rationale for declining (NMTCB)(CT) as an approved credential to perform diagnostic CT.

20.3.20.320 Licenses

The MIRTAC is recommending moving forward with adding the license "CT" under 20.3.20.320, Letter F, (18), for consistency in listing all available licenses granted by the Bureau. Adding "CT" will also serve to enable that all imaging modalities a licensee is able to perform is reflected on the license document itself.

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STATEMENT

Experienced imaging technologist and supervisor interested in expanding capacity in workforce. Varied professional background includes supervision, clinical and post mortem imaging, research, protocol and workflow development as well as project management. Professional interests include establishing methods to improve overall quality of current practice, and generating an educational platform which promotes ongoing sustainability. Problem solving and understanding limitations of the built environment are essential aspects for my approach of effectively navigating complex situations. I have led a variety of technical projects that range from new implementations, upgrades and clinical workflow development.

MANAGEMENT POSITIONS

Manager Clinical Imaging Systems

July 2019 - current

University of New Mexico Hospitals, Radiology-Admin (Informatics) Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

Primary duties

Management: Support of Radiology Informatics Analyst I, II, III, and Customer Support Tech. Provides administrative oversight including time management, setting of goals, project check-in and allocating of resources for competing projects. Oversee informatics operational budget to include annual license and maintenance fees for clinical and research applications.

Projects: Provide clinical lens for projects with emphasis in the imaging technologist's role. Overall management also includes setting timelines, metrics for completion and overall delegation of when projects can be put on the schedule.

Clinical: Determines when critical communications are allocated to stakeholders and manages overall clinical messaging of expected and unexpected downtimes. Communicates with leadership to provide project updates and liaise clinical faculty requests.

SUPERVISORY POSITIONS

Lecturer III (Faculty)

May 2015-June 2017

APPOINTMENT: Supervisor of Forensic Imaging (0.5 FTE)

University of New Mexico, Department of Radiology Health Sciences Center, School of Medicine Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

*Originally staff position (May 2011-May 2015); position changed to faculty May 2015

Primary duties

Management: Daily Post Mortem Computed Tomography (PMCT) imaging, including training of Pathologists, Fellows, Residents, Technologists and Technicians on functionality and utility. Quality assurance on imaging acquisition. Badge coordinator. Handled CT technologist monthly schedules, payroll, development of imaging policies and procedures, NAME accreditation support, equipment purchase support.

Informatics: Philips iSite PACS onsite administrator services for Office of the Medical Investigator; included exceptions handling, account creation, auditing, coordination of hardware / software upgrades and downtime troubleshooting.

Protocol: Extensive experience in development of post mortem CT (PMCT), post mortem MR (PMMR) and post mortem radiography (PMXR) protocols; implementation and forensic imaging workflow.

Clinical: Perform Post Mortem Computed Tomography (PMCT) scans, as needed or scheduled. Perform radiography as needed, most generally pediatric skeletal surveys. Perform all Post Mortem Magnetic Resonance Imaging (PMMR) scans.

Supervisor of Forensic Imaging (Staff)

University of New Mexico, New Mexico, USA Health Sciences Center, School of Medicine New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator Radiology-Pathology Center for Forensic Imaging (CFI) *May 2011 to May 2015

*Converted from staff to faculty in UNM May 2015, job duties described in Lecturer III position

Computed Tomography Supervisor

University of New Mexico Hospitals, New Mexico, USA.
Radiology Department – Computed Tomography
Interim Computed Tomography Supervisor (October 2009-October 2010)

October 2009-April 2011

Primary duties

Management: Maintain consistency of CT imaging while conserving the financial assets of the hospital. Monitor staff compliance, perform yearly assessments, and development of SMART goals. Hired PRN and pointage technologists. Perform disciplinary actions, when needed, while complying with hospital policies and procedures, and in accordance with District 1199 NM National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees.

Informatics: Philips iSite PACS super user, exceptions handling, Radiologist QA, Unread Reports. **Protocol:** Collaboration between Radiology Section Chiefs to develop low-dose chest, abdomen and pelvis protocols.

Clinical: Perform Portable or departmental Computed Tomography scans, as needed. Perform advanced pediatric angiography CT scans in collaboration with pediatric Radiology. Perform advanced cardiac CT scans in collaboration with chest Radiology.

CLINICAL POSITIONS (Non-Supervisory)

CT/MRI Technologist (PRN)

Santa Fe Imaging (SFI) Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA May 2018-March 2021

Primary duties

Image Acquisition: Perform Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging examinations for outpatient procedures. Following ALARA principles and MRI safety for every patient, every time. Understand insurance regulations for private practice outpatient center. Protocol exams real-time based on indication and reason for exam.

Computed Tomography Technologist

University of New Mexico Hospitals, New Mexico, USA. Radiology Department – Computed Tomography

April 2007-September 2009

Primary duties:

Image acquisition: Perform CT scans per departmental protocol and in line with the ALARA principle. Ensure patient safety and satisfaction is maintained. Proficiency in imaging trauma, intensive care, inpatient, outpatient, pediatric, and intra-operative patients. Participate in call

Diagnostic Radiologic Technologist

Lovelace Medical Center – Downtown, New Mexico, USA. Radiology Department – Radiography PRN position held from April 2007-August 2008 April 2006-August 2008

Primary duties

Image acquisition: Perform radiography per departmental protocol and in line with the ALARA principle. Ensure patient safety and satisfaction is maintained. Proficiency in imaging trauma, intensive care, inpatient, outpatient, pediatric, and intra-operative patients.

TEACHING POSITIONS

Lecturer III (Faculty)

APPOINTMENT: CT Physics Instructor (0.5 FTE)

May 2015-July 2016

University of New Mexico, Radiologic Sciences Program, Department of Radiology Health Sciences Center, School of Medicine Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

Primary duties

Instruction: Revise CT Physics educational material for program, provide educational training to students to prepare students for national board certification in Computed Tomography with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Assess students in the areas of competence, technical skillset and overall growth in the area of Computed Tomography.

Radiologic Technology Instructor (Faculty)

Central New Mexico Community College, New Mexico, USA. School of Health, Wellness, and Public Safety (HWPS) Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

August 2014-October 2018

Primary duties

Education: Supervise prospective Radiologic Technology students at the clinical site. Perform assessments of both hard and soft skills with regard to patient care, and the technical components of performing radiography.

RESEARCH POSITIONS

Lecturer III (Faculty)

APPOINTMENT: Clinical Radiology Research Technologist University of New Mexico, Department of Radiology Health Sciences Center, School of Medicine

Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

August 2016-June 2019

Primary duties

Clinical trial review: Assess feasibility of imaging within the Radiology department and determine whether the imaging has standard of care (routine) acquisition parameters, or whether the clinical trial requires novel protocol development.

Human Imaging Research Core (HIRC): Oversee budget estimate, study protocol development, scheduling, invoicing, reconciliation of payment, participant coordination, and research workflow.

CONSULTING POSITIONS

<u>Director of Forensic Educational Services (Consultant)</u>

Turnkey Medical Solutions http://turnkeymedical.net/ Atlanta, Georgia, USA January 2016current

Primary duties

Education: Provide education and oversight for performance of post mortem imaging. Specializing in post mortem Computed Tomography (PMCT), post mortem Magnetic

Resonance Imaging (PMMR), and post mortem Radiography (PMXR). Tailor procedures for needs of practitioner. Provide hands-on training and protocol development.

Forensic Imaging (Consultant)

Advanced Detection Solutions (ADS) www.detection-solutions.com Costa Mesa, California, USA

May 2020current

Primary duties

Education: Provide education and oversight for performance of post mortem imaging. Specializing in post mortem Computed Tomography (PMCT). Goals are to improve workflow and usability of a new CT scanner or for CT scanners already in place. Other forensic imaging workflows and training are also available.

OTHER POSITIONS

MIRTAC Appointee

Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council (MIRTAC)

State of New Mexico, USA

Appointee November 5, 2018-

December 31, 2021

Term Dates:

Chair January 1, 2022-

December 31, 2022

Primary duties

Advisory Council: Provide expertise, guidance and recommendation regarding legislative actions, state statutes and other developments possibly affecting diagnostic and therapy imaging for the state of New Mexico.

MIRTAC is established in the following manner:

61-14E-5.1. Medical imaging and radiation therapy advisory council; creation and organization. A. The "medical imaging and radiation therapy advisory council" is established, consisting of eleven members. The members shall be appointed by the governor, after consultation with the secretary of environment and professional organizations representing medical imaging and radiation therapy, for three-year staggered terms. (http://governor.state.nm.us/lmaging.aspx)

Radiologic Technologist (Intermittent Federal Employee)

Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Teams (DMORT) Region VI Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) February 2013current

Primary duties

Post mortem imaging: Perform post mortem radiographs (and other imaging), for use in mass fatality / disaster victim identification (DVI), while in a deployment situation. Imaging performed

with attention to capturing the overall anatomy and visualization of the surrounding personal effects. Imaging performed as requested on items, samples, and specimens of interest.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

MBA <u>Master of Business Administration</u>

January 2020current

University of New Mexico, Anderson School of Management Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA. Expected graduation December 2022

MPH Master of Public Health-Epidemiology, distinction

August 2015-May 2019

University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center, College of Population Health Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

Master's Professional Paper and Oral Exam:

Chair:

Kristine Tollestrup, PhD, MPH; Professor and Director, Graduate Programs, University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center, College of Population Health (COPH)

Title:

"Impact of Alcohol in Fentanyl Deaths: Secondary Analysis of 2015 -2016 New Mexico Data"

BS Bachelors of Science in Radiologic Sciences, *cum laude*

September 2007-December 2013

University of New Mexico, School of Medicine, Radiologic Sciences Program Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

Certificate Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

June 2011-July 2012

University of New Mexico, School of Medicine, Radiologic Sciences Program Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

Certificate Computed Tomography (CT)

June 2007-July 2008

September 2003-April

University of New Mexico, School of Medicine, Radiologic Sciences Program Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

AS Associates of Occupational Sciences, Radiologic Sciences, honors

2006

PIMA Medical Institute

Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

CERTIFICATION & LICENSURE

- **Board Certified in Radiography**. American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. USA. (ARRT 405735 April 2006, exp. February 2023).
- **Board Certified in Computed Tomography**. American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. USA. (ARRT 405735 August 2008, exp. February 2023).
- **Board Certified in Magnetic Resonance Imaging**. American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. USA. (ARRT 405735 August 2012, exp. February 2023).
- **Board Certified in Quality Management**. American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. USA. (ARRT 405735 November 2012 exp. February 2023).
- **Certified Imaging Informatics Professional.** American Board of Imaging Informatics. USA. (ABII 804781 November 2019 exp. December 2022).
- **Licensed Radiographic Radiologic Technologist**. The New Mexico Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Program. New Mexico, USA. (RRT 03529 April 2020, exp. April 2022).
- **Basic Life Support (BLS and AED)**. American Safety and Health Institute. New Mexico, USA. (Registry No. 48576, October 2021, exp. October 2023).

TEACHING

*All RADS courses are part of University of New Mexico, School of Medicine, Radiologic Sciences Program							
January 2019	Clinical Research Office Staff Meeting Radiology / CRO Training University of New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Center New Mexico Cancer Care Alliance						
Fall 2018 (Co-Instructor)	RADS 405	Introduction to Research Methods					
November 2016	Three-day workshop Presentations and live demonstrations on how to perform Post Mortem Computed Tomography (PMCT) Advanced Radiologic Imaging in Medicolegal Death Investigation New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator Funded by the Forensic Technology Center of Excellence (FTCoE), Research Triangle International (RTI), and the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).						
September 2016	Senior Morphology Technicians Overview of Forensic Imaging Modalities New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator						
Fall 2016 (TA)	RADS 410 RADS 410 RADS 420	Physics of Computed Tomography I Physics of Computed Tomography I Structured Education Requirement Student (SERS) Computed Tomography Clinical I					

July 2016 Native American Tribal Leadership Open House Post Mortem Computed Tomography Demonstration June 2016 Field Deputy Medical Investigator Continuing Education Forensic Imaging – workflow, utility, and case examples New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator Medicolegal Death Investigation – ECHO Session (June 15, 2016) Summer 2016 **RADS 412** Computed Tomography Physics Review (Instructor) **RADS 422** Computed Tomography Clinical III March 2016 Facilitator Interprofessional Disaster Preparedness Event University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center Interprofessional Education (IPE) Physics of Computed Tomography II Spring 2016 **RADS 411** (Instructor) **RADS 421** Computed Tomography Clinical II Physics of Computed Tomography I Fall 2015 **RADS 410 RADS 420** Computed Tomography Clinical I (Instructor) Summer 2015 RADS 412 Computed Tomography Physics Review **RADS 422** Computed Tomography Clinical III (Instructor) February 2015 Forensic Pathology Fellow Rotation Radiographic Technique for Pediatric Skeletal Survey Field Deputy Medical Investigator Meeting January 2015 Center for Forensic Imaging – past, present, future March 2014 Forensic Pathology Faculty, Fellows, Residents Workshop presentation Advanced Forensic Pathology and Forensic Radiology Techniques in the Assessment of Cervical Spine and Craniocervical Junction Trauma Forensic Pathology Fellow Rotation July 2013 Radiographic Technique for Pediatric Skeletal Survey Morphology Technician Training July 2012 Pediatric Skeletal Survey CT Physics Program (RADS 406 requirement) Spring 2009 Developed PowerPoints for CT Physics Instructor (Student TA) Used for courses RADS 410 and RADS 420 Fall 2008 Nuclear Medicine Program (RADS 406 requirement) Developed Visual Graphs for Nuclear Medicine Program Director (Student TA) Graphs used to represent student clinical experience

MENTORING

Spring 2017 Victoria Bixler, R.T.(R)(MR)

Radiologic Sciences Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences

candidate; RADS 406 research rotation

Fall 2016 Victoria Bixler, R.T.(R)(MR)

Radiologic Sciences Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences

candidate; RADS 406 research rotation

PRESENTATIONS

SCIENTIFIC

2019 Radiological Society of North America (RSNA)

ASRT@RSNA

Title: The Role of the Radiologic Technologist in the Realm of Research

Chicago, IL, USA, 12/05/2019

(Unable to attend due to funding)

2017 American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT)

Educational Symposium

Title: Forensic Imaging: Impact on Medicolegal Death Investigation and

Research.

Orlando, FL, USA, 06/22/17

2017 European Society of Paediatric Radiology (ESPR)

ESPR 2017 - 53rd Annual Scientific Meeting

Title: <u>International PMCT protocols – Presentation of Combined ESPR PM Taskforce / ISFRI Paediatric Working Group white document on PM</u>

CT protocols.

Davos, Switzerland, 05/30/17 - 06/03/17

2016 RTI International Forensic Technology Center of Excellence

Funded award Title (PI Hatch): Hosting 3-day Workshop on Advanced

Radiologic Imaging in Medicolegal Death Investigation.

Title of talk: Protocols

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 11/11/16-11/13/16

2016 RTI International Forensic Technology Center of Excellence

Funded award Title (PI Hatch): Hosting 3-day Workshop on Advanced

Radiologic Imaging in Medicolegal Death Investigation.

Title of talk: The Skeletal Survey

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 11/11/16-11/13/16

2015 Podium Presentation – Scientific Session

4th International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World

Congress

Postmortem Computed Tomography (PMCT) in pediatric deaths

attributed to asphyxia

Leicester, United Kingdom, 05/14/15 – 05/16/15

2015 Workshop Presentation

67th American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) Annual Scientific

Meeting

RADid: Using Radiologic Techniques to Identify Unknown Decedents

Orlando, FL, USA, 02/16/15 - 02/21/15

2014 Podium Presentation – Scientific Session

3rd International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World

Congress

PMCT findings in hanging

Marseille, France, 05/15/14 - 05/17/14

Workshop Presentation

66th American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) Annual Scientific

Meeting

Advanced Forensic Pathology and Forensic Radiology Techniques in the

Assessment of Cervical Spine and Craniocervical Junction Trauma

Seattle, WA, USA, 02/17/14 - 02/22/14

2014 Podium Presentation

National Institute of Justice (NIJ) 2014 Grantees Meeting

<u>Investigation of the Impact of Body Temperature and Post-Mortem</u> <u>Interval on Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) of Unfixed Tissue</u>

Seattle, WA, USA, 02/17/14 - 02/22/14

2013 Paper Presentation

65th American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) Annual Scientific Meeting. Forensic Sciences Foundation Emerging Forensic Scientist

Award.

<u>Determination of Postmortem Interval Using Non-Invasive Magnetic</u> Resonance Imaging Measurement of the Apparent Diffusion Coefficient

and 1-Dimensional Spectroscopy

Washington, DC, USA, 02/18/13 - 02/23/13

(Unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances)

2012 Podium Presentation – Scientific Session

1st International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World

Congress

Determination of PMI using non-invasive MRI measurement of the ADC

Zurich, Switzerland, 05/14/12 - 05/15/12

INVITED

2019 American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT)

Educational Symposium

Title: Use of Computed Tomography in Research.

Orlando, FL, USA, 06/20/19

2019 Podium Presentation

8th International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World

Congress

International Association of Forensic Radiographers (IAFR) Day Meeting

Post Mortem MRI – Technologist Considerations

Berlin, Germany, 05/16/19 – 05/18/19 (Unable to attend due to funding)

2019 Live Webinar

Teesside University (webinar)

PgCert/PgDip/MSc Forensic Radiography programme

Title: Post-Mortem MRI

Middlesbrough, Tees Valley, United Kingdom, 03/21/2019

2018 Podium Presentation

College of Population Health (COPH)

University of New Mexico, School of Medicine Public Health Program; PH 533: Research Methods

Impact of alcohol in fentanyl deaths: Analysis of 2015-2016 New Mexico data

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 04/18/2018

2018 Live Webinar

Teesside University (webinar)

PgCert/PgDip/MSc Forensic Radiography programme

Title: Post-Mortem MRI

Middlesbrough, Tees Valley, United Kingdom, 03/21/2018

2017 Live Webinar

Cranfield University (webinar)

Master's Degree in Forensic Science: Forensic Imaging Module

Title: <u>PMMR Technologist Considerations.</u> Shrivenham, United Kingdom, 01/30/17

2016 Podium Presentation

5th International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World

Congress

International Association of Forensic Radiographers (IAFR) Day Meeting

PMMR of the Brain

Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 05/12/16 – 05/14/16

2016 Podium Presentation

British Columbia Association of Medical Radiation Technologists

(BCAMRT) Annual General Conference

Forensic Imaging

Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada, 04/22/16 - 04/23/16

2015 Podium Presentation

New Mexico Society of Radiologic Technologists Annual Conference

(NMSRT)

Forensic Radiologic Technologist

Ruidoso, NM, USA, 04/17/15 - 04/18/15

2014 Podium Presentation

Radiology CEU Seminar; University of New Mexico Hospitals

Forensic Radiologic Technologist Albuquerque, NM, USA, 06/14/14

2014 Live Webinars

RTI International Center for Forensic Sciences Continuing Education

Program, funding from National Institute of Justice

Investigation of the Impact of Body Temperature and Post-Mortem Interval on Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) of Unfixed Tissue

Webinars (3) presented 06/03/14 - 06/05/14

2012 Podium Presentation

65th National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) Annual Meeting

& Exhibits

Pediatric Skeletal Survey as a Means of Identifying Cases of Non-

Accidental Trauma

Baltimore, MD, USA, 10/05/12 - 10/09/12

Podium Presentation 2012

> 2012 Philips Clinical Informatics and Patient Care User Summit iSite's role in transforming workflow for Forensic Radiology

San Francisco, CA, USA, 09/06/12 - 09/07/12

2012 **Podium Presentation**

New Mexico Society of Radiologic Technologists Annual Conference

(NMSRT)

Introduction to a Medical Examiner's Office Taos, NM, USA, 04/13/12 - 04/14/12

TRAINING

July 2018 Frontline Business Operations

> University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center Albuquerque, NM, USA, 07/17/18 - 07/19/18

October 2017 National Institutes of Health: Good Clinical Practice (GCP)–FDA Training

> Clinical & Translational Science Center (CTSC) University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 09-2017 - 10-2017

October 2015 Leadership Academy

American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT)

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 10/15/15 – 11/26/15

Disaster Victim Identification – In Theory and Practice August 2015

International Association of Forensic Radiographers (IAFR) United Kingdom Forensic Radiography Response Team (UKFFRT) Shrivenham, Swindon, United Kingdom, 08/08/15 - 08/09/15

June 2014 <u>Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Teams Fundamentals National</u>

Training

Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Teams (DMORT) United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) Phoenix, AZ, USA, 06/23/15 - 06/25/15

October 2012 Advanced Forensic Imaging Course

University of Maryland Medical System

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME)

Baltimore, MD, USA, 10/10/12

March 2010 FEMA (ICS-00800.b) - National Response Framework, An Introduction

Emergency Management Institute

United States Department of Homeland Security

March 2010 FEMA (ICS-00700.a) - National Incident Management System (NIMS),

An Introduction

Emergency Management Institute

United States Department of Homeland Security

March 2010 FEMA (IS-00200.a) - ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action

Incidents, ICS-200

Emergency Management Institute

United States Department of Homeland Security

February 2010 FEMA (IS-00100.FWa) - Introduction to the Incident Command System,

ICS-100 for Federal Workers

Emergency Management Institute

United States Department of Homeland Security

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

1.	American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT)	2006 – present
2.	American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Computed Tomography Chapter Magnetic Resonance Imaging Chapter Quality Management Chapter	2009 – present 2009 – present 2012 – present 2013 – present
3.	New Mexico Society of Radiologic Technologists (NMSRT) Member	2011 – present
4.	International Society of Radiographers and Radiological Technologists (ISRRT) Associate Member	2018 – present

 International Association of Forensic Radiographers (IAFR) Member 	2011 – present				
International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) Founding Member	2012 – present				
 National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) Support System Affiliate 	2012 – present				
 American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) Trainee Affiliate – General Section Associate Member – General Section 	2015 – present 2015 – 2018 2018 – present				
New Mexico Public Health Association (NMPHA) Student Member Regular Member	2015 – present 2015 – 2019 2019 – present				
 New Mexico Diabetes Advisory Council (NMDAC) Para Professional Member 	2016 – present				
11. Golden Key International Honour Society Member	2012 – present				
PRIOR AFFILIATIONS					
European Society of Paediatric Radiology (ESPR) Associate Member	2016 – 2019				
	2016 – 2019 2017 – 2019				
Associate Member 2. ECOG-ACRIN Cancer Research Group					
Associate Member 2. ECOG-ACRIN Cancer Research Group Associate Member 3. Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences (AEIRS)	2017 – 2019 2014 – 2017				
Associate Member 2. ECOG-ACRIN Cancer Research Group Associate Member 3. Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences (AEIRS) Active Member	2017 – 2019 2014 – 2017				
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3. Radiology Informatics Subcommittee
University of New Mexico Hospitals
University of New Mexico School of Medicine
Co-Chair – Radiology

International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI)
 Subcommittee Member – Pediatric Imaging (Protocol)
 Subcommittee Member – Image Acquisition (Protocol)
 05/2015 – present
 05/2014 – present

 University of New Mexico, Radiologic Sciences Program Advisory Committee Member

08/2013 - present

PAST PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES

6.	American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Commission (Member) Affiliate Delegate (NMSRT) Commission (Member) Sergeant-at-Arms Committee (Chief Sergeant) Computed Tomography (CT) Chapter Chairman and Delegate Computed Tomography (CT) Chapter Delegate Practice Standards Council – CT Subcommittee (Member) Committee on Bylaws (Member) House of Delegates Minutes Approval Committee (Member) Affiliate Delegate (NMSRT) Grass-roots Network	09/01/20 - 08/31/21 02/2020 - 01/2021 09/01/19 - 08/31/20 09/01/18 - 08/31/19 07/2017 - 06/2018 07/2016 - 06/2017 07/2016 - 06/2018 09/01/16 - 08/31/17 09/01/16 - 08/31/17 02/2015 - 01/2017 04/2014 - 06/2016
7.	International Association of Forensic Radiographers (IAFR) International Branch Chair IAFR / ISFRI Merger Subgroup Vice-Chair Honorary Secretary International Membership Subcommittee USA Liaison USA Liaison Co-opted Committee Member	10/2018 - 10/2019 10/2017 - 11/2019 10/2016 - 10/2017 11/2015 - 10/2016 07/2015 - 2018 10/2014 - 10/2019 11/2019 - 05/2020 10/2014 - 11/2019
8.	New Mexico Society of Radiologic Technologists (NMSRT) Conference Committee Chairman of the Board President President – Elect Vice President Conference Chair	10/2017 - 04/2018 04/2016 - 04/2017 04/2015 - 04/2016 04/2014 - 04/2015 04/2012 - 04/2014 04/2013 - 04/2014

9. UNM Comprehensive Cancer Center

New Mexico Cancer Center Alliance (NMCCA)

Clinical trial reviewer for department of Radiology UNM, SOM

Protocol Review & Monitoring Committee (PRMC) 08/2016 – 06/2019 Feasibility Review Committee 03/2019 – 06/2019

10. University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Committee

Interprofessional Education (IPE)

 Co-chair
 09/2015 – 03/2017

 Scholarship Development Member
 04/2016 – 03/2017

 Curricular Development Member
 04/2016 – 03/2017

11. University of New Mexico School of Medicine, Department of Radiology

Standing Non-voting Member, Radiology Research Committee 08/2016 – 06/2019 Standing Non-voting Member, Radiology Research Committee 05/2015 – 09/2015

12. University of New Mexico, Radiologic Sciences Program

Beta student for the Quality Management (Didactic & Clinical) 08/2010 – 12/2010

13. 4th International Society of Radiographers and Radiological

Technologists (ISRRT) Americas Teleconference

Invited Presenter – USA Liaison IAFR 08/29/2016

14. International Forensic Radiology Research Summit (IFRRS

National Institute of Justice (NIJ), Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI).

International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI),

International Association of Forensic Radiographers (IAFR)

Invited Collaborator 05/10/16 – 05/11/16

15. University of New Mexico, School of Medicine

Health Professions and Public Health Programs (HP/PHP)

Allied Health Professional Commencement Speech Committee

Member April 2016

16. Mississippi Society of Radiologic Technologists (MSRT)

Research Manuscript Reviewer September 2015

PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS - PUBLIC HEALTH

October 2016 New Mexico-Youth Risk and Resiliency Surveys (NM-YRRS) Roadshow

Adelante Development Center Community Room

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 10/12/2016

September 2016 From Giving Life to Living Life: Understanding proper care in preventing

and managing diabetes

New Mexico Diabetes Advisory Council Educational Session (NMDAC)

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 09/09/2016

December 2015 12th Annual New Mexico Public Health Association (NMPHA) Health

Policy Legislative Forum

Albuquerque, NM, USA, 12/09/2015

October 2015 5th Meeting of the Legislative Health and Human Services (LHHS)

Committee

Attended: Substance Use Disorder and Overdose Update

State Capitol, Santa Fe, NM, USA, 10/06/2015

PEER REVIEWED PAPERS

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 IAFR Guidelines for best practice: Principles for radiographers and imaging practitioners providing forensic imaging services.

 Forensic Imaging, 2020, Vol.(22):1-11.

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A Comparative Evaluation of Potentially Radiolucent Projectile Components by Radiographs and Computed Tomography

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 Abstract published on ISFRI website
 5th International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World Congress;
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- 4. Ian Paul, MD*; Sarah Lathrop, DVM, PhD; Gary M. Hatch, MD; **Chandra Y. Gerrard, BS**; Valerie Poland, BA; Ross E. Zumwalt, MD; Sam W. Andrews, MD; Jan Price, RN, MSA; Gary W. Mlady, MD; Jennifer W. Pohl, MD, PhD; Brad W. Cushnyr, MD; Philip W. Wiest, MD; Kurt B. Nolte, MD

A Prospective Double-Blinded Comparison of Autopsy and Postmortem Computerized Tomography (PMCT) for the Evaluation of Potential Drug Poisoning Deaths.

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 68th National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) Annual Meeting & Exhibits; Charlotte, North Carolina, USA, 10/02/15 10/06/15.
- CY Gerrard*, SL Lathrop, GM Hatch, S Williamson, J P Price, KM Lopez, SW Andrews, RE Zumwalt, ID Paul, JM Elifritz, KB Nolte
 <u>Postmortem Computed Tomography (PMCT) in pediatric deaths attributed to asphyxia.</u>

 4th International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World Congress;
 Leicester, United Kingdom, 05/14/15 05/16/15

 Abstract currently in press with *Journal of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (JoFRI)*
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 Comparison of Postmortem Computed Tomography and Autopsy in Gunshot Wound Fatalities.

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 <u>Determining the temperature-dependence of tissue relaxation times (T₁ and T₂) for prospective optimization of post-mortem magnetic resonance (PMMR) image contrast.

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 66th Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. Seattle, WA, USA. 2014.
- 17. D. Sandoval^{1*}, G Hatch², **C Gerrard**², P Heintz¹, ⁽¹⁾ Department of Radiology, University of New Mexico School of Medicine ⁽²⁾Radiology-Pathology Center for Forensic Imaging, University of New Mexico School of Medicine.

<u>Validation of a Novel CT Breast Dosimetry Method in Post Mortem, Unembalmed Female Subjects.</u>

55th American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM) Annual Meeting. August 2013. Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.

Medical Physics. 2013. Validation of a Novel CT Breast Dosimetry Method in Post Mortem, Unembalmed Female Subjects; 40(6): 458-459.

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 <u>Determination of Post mortem Interval using non-invasive Magnetic Resonance Imaging measurement of the Apparent Diffusion Coefficient and 1-Dimensional Spectroscopy.</u>

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PEER REVIEWED EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL

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 American Society of Radiologic Technologists CT Basics Series, Module 3, 2009
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- 4. Gary M. Hatch. Lecture: *The relevance of the post-axial skeleton in cases of abusive head trauma*. World Congress on Infant Head Trauma. Plano, TX. November 2013.
- 5. Courtney Lapham-Simpson MD, Ryan LeBaron, MD, Michael Haag, BS, Gary M. Hatch, MD Kurt B. Nolte, MD. *A Ballistics Study of the Winchester Supreme Elite® PDX1*™ *Ammunition*. April 2013.

BOOK CONTRACT

1. **CY Gerrard (Lead Author)**, JM Elifritz CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group. Performing Postmortem Radiographs: A Concise Guide Completion pending

NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Chandra Y. Gerrard, B.S., R.T.(R)(CT)(MR)(QM)

Final Examination.

ASRT Scanner, Vol.50 No. 4 (2018).

2. C Gerrard

Postmortem CT Imaging Is Like No Other Job.

ASRT Scanner, Vol.44 No.4 (2012).

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In the Medical Investigator's Office.

Radiologic Technology, Vol.83 No 2:189CI-191CI (2011).

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Poster- <u>Testicular Position and Hypothermia: A New and Highly Specific Postmortem CT</u> Finding.

5th International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) World Congress; Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 05/12/16 – 05/14/16

RESEARCH FUNDING

ACTIVE GRANTS AND CONTRACTS:

None

PAST GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

National Institute of Justice – NIJ 2016-DN-BX-0144 \$702,654 01/01/17 – 12/31/18 (PI Edgar)

<u>Title:</u> Facilitating forensic research in multiple fields using a unique computed tomography dataset

Submitted 02/01/2016: Solicitation NIJ 2016-4305, Research and Development in Forensic

Science for Criminal Justice Purposes

Role: Co-Investigator

National Institute of Justice – NIJ 2015-DN-BX-K018 \$36,598 (sub) 01/01/16 – 12/31/17 (Subaward PI Adolphi)

Title: Biomechanical Investigation of the Effect of Bone Disorders on Pediatric Femur Fracture Potential

Role: Subaward Co-Investigator, Co-investigator [Prime PI Thompson, U. Louisville]

Research Triangle International (RTI) \$81,327 07/01/16 – 09/30/16 International Forensic Technology Center of Excellence

Budget proposals for 5 projects were invited by RTI; submitted 06/13/2016. The goal of these projects is to educate and inform the forensic pathology community regarding the use of advanced radiological imaging methods in death investigation, and to facilitate the adoption of these technologies by medical examiners in the U.S

1. (PI Hatch) \$49,013, <u>Title: Development of Curriculum and Instructional Content for Workshop on Advanced Radiologic Imaging in Medicolegal Death Investigation</u>

Role: Co-Investigator

2. (PI Hatch) \$5,662, <u>Title: Hosting 3-day Workshop on Advanced Radiologic Imaging in Medicolegal Death Investigation</u>

Role: Co-Investigator

- 3. (PI Gerrard) \$11,848, <u>Title: Guidance Document on Current Best Practices for Implementing Advanced Radiological Imaging in Medicolegal Death Investigation</u>
 Role: Principal Investigator
- 4. (PI Adolphi) \$3,351, <u>Title: Webinar on Advanced Forensic Radiology:</u>
 <u>Introduction and Current Recommended Practices</u>
 Role: Co-Investigator
- 5. (PI Adolphi) \$11,453, <u>Title: Landscape Study Report on Acquiring and Implementing Post-mortem Computed Tomography in a Medical Examiner's Office</u>

Role: Co-Investigator

National Institute of Justice – NIJ 2015-DN-BX-K009 \$94,960 (sub) 01/01/16 - 12/31/16 (Subaward PI Hatch)

Title: <u>Development of Modern Subadult Standards: Improved Age and Sex Estimation in</u> U.S. Forensic Practice

Role: Co-Investigator, [Prime PI Stull, U. Nevada Reno]

National Institute of Justice – NIJ 2013-DN-BX-K004 \$498,616 01/01/14 – 12/31/16 (PI Hatch)

Title: <u>Investigation of Post-Mortem Magnetic Resonance Imaging for the Detection of Intraneural</u> Hemorrhage

Role: Co-Investigator

Simon Fraser University Contract \$24,549 03/01/16 – 02/28/17

(Contract PI Adolphi)
Title: Traumatic Injury Patterns of the Modern Juvenile Human Skeleton

Role: Co-Investigator, [Prime PI Cardoso]

National Institute of Justice – NIJ 2012-DN-BX-K019) \$575,686 01/01/13 – 06/30/16 (PI Adolphi)

Title: Investigation of the Impact of Body Temperature and Post-Mortem Interval on Magnetic

Resonance Imaging of Unfixed Tissue

Role: Co-Investigator

Research Inst. at Nationwide Children's Hospital Contract

00071785 2/CC#183511 HSC (PI Nolte) / (Prime PI Will Ray) Total / \$10,000 06/14/14 - 09/30/14

Title: Pediatric CT Scan Study

Role: Co-investigator

Harris Co. Inst. of Forensic Sci. PO#P226527 \$4351 04/15/14 – 09/30/14 (PI Adolphi)

Title: Radiography and Computed Tomography for Quantification of Bone Density in Infant Decedents.

Prime award from Children's Justice Act (PI Love).

Role: Contract Co-investigator

American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS), Lucas Grant Total / \$2,940 02/2014 (PI Hatch)

Title: <u>Detection of Neural Injury in Shaken Infants; A Pilot Investigation Using Postmortem Magnetic Resonance Imaging</u>

Role: Co-Investigator

University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center, (Pl Nolte) Total / \$43,000 2014 Office of Research

Title: Equipment Funding Grant

Role: Co-Investigator

National Institute of Justice - NIJ 2010-DN-BX-K205 $\,$ Total / \$895,832 $\,$ 01/01/11 - 12/31/13 (PI Nolte)

Title: <u>Utility of Postmortem X-ray Computed Tomography (CT) in Supplanting or Supplementing Medicolegal Autopsies</u>

Role: Lead CT Technologist

University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center, (PI Mercer) Total / \$17,423 12/12 – 11/13 Clinical and Translational Sciences Center.

Title: Biomechanical Evaluation of Structures Responsible for Thumb Basal Joint Stability.

Role: Co-Investigator

University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center, HSC-20214 Total / \$1,220 09/2013 (PI Nolte)

Sub-award with Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences

Title: Computer Assisted Identification Project

Role: Co-Investigator

University of New Mexico, Health Science Center, Total / \$24,244 03/01/12 – 02/28/13 Research Allocation Committee (RAC)

Title: Incidental Breast Radiation Dose During Routine Clinical Computed Tomography: A

Novel Postmortem Implanted Dosimetry Model

Role: Co-investigator

State of New Mexico Department of Health Total / \$535,174 03/01/12 - 06/30/12 (PI Aurelius)

Regents of the University of New Mexico – New Mexico Mass Fatality

Title: Mass Fatality Plan for the State of New Mexico

Role: Co-Investigator

HONORS & AWARDS

University of New Mexico - Anderson School of Management Scholarship

Chester and Diana Steward Biz Scholarship

Award amount: \$1,000.00 USD

Fall 2021 & Spring 2022

American Society of Radiologic Technologists Foundation – Donor Recognition

Highlighted in the Monthly Donor Newsletter

September 2020

Departmental Honors - Master's Examination Passed with Distinction

University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center

College of Population Health (COPH)

Masters of Public Health - Epidemiology

December 2018

Advancing Your Profession: Education and Professional Growth Grant

American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) and administered by the ASRT Foundation

Award amount: \$500.00 USD

October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019

Epidemiology Traineeship Grant Recipient

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

University of New Mexico School of Medicine

Public Health Program

Master of Public Health

Traineeship Details: Under the guidance of Alcohol Epidemiologist Laura Tomedi, PhD, MPH, and the New Mexico Department of Health, Substance Abuse Epidemiology Section, Epidemiology and Response Division, traineeship efforts were focused on developing educational materials regarding general alcohol use in New Mexico, Alcohol Outlet Density, Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention, and County specific factsheets on alcohol use, morbidity and mortality in McKinley County, New Mexico. Factsheets were developed for use by community members, media, legislators, physicians and educators.

June 2015-October 2016

Institutional Honors - Cum Laude

University of New Mexico School of Medicine Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences December 2013

Class President

University of New Mexico Radiologic Sciences Program - 2011 - 2012 Magnetic Resonance Imaging Physics Program September 2011

"Best story" contribution to Pima Medical Institutes

Association of Private Sector Colleges & Universities (APSCU) August 2011

PMI Alumni Success Story

Pima Medical Institute (PMI) - Corporate Office July 2011

Pride in Excellence Award

University of New Mexico Hospital - Radiology Department August 2010

Radiologic Sciences Scholarship

University of New Mexico Hospital - Radiology Department April 2006

Director's Award for Educational Excellence

Pima Medical Institute (PMI) April 2006

OTHER VOLUNTEER

Actor

American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Radcademy
Episode 1: X-rays Are Pretty Rad!
https://www.asrt.org/radcademy/videos#episode1
June 2015

Interview

<u>www.Radiologyschools411.com</u>, regarding insight as a radiologic technologist October 2013

Model

Academic Forensic Pathologist journal

Used in manuscript: <u>Postmortem X-ray Computed Tomography (CT) and Forensic Autopsy: A Review of the Utility, the Challenges and the Future Implications</u>
May 2011

Model

American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Scanner magazine and future publications
March 2011

Contributor to the Alliance for Radiation Safety in Pediatric Imaging (ARSPI) forum for the nationwide "Image Gently" campaign American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) 2009

Beta tester for the Online Digital Imaging Academy (ODIA) American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) 2008

NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 20.3.20 NMAC OF THE RADIATION PROTECTION REGULATIONS EIB 21-56

The Environmental Improvement Board ("EIB") will hold a public hearing March 25, 2022 beginning at 9:00 a.m. MDT via internet (Zoom) and via telephone.

If you would like to join the video conference online, go to:

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Comments will be received via electronic mail through the conclusion of the hearing. To comment via electronic mail, send correspondence to: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

The hearing is being held via internet, email and telephonic means due to the concerns surrounding the Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") and in accord with Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham's Declaration of a Public Health Emergency in Executive Order 2020-004, and subsequent executive orders; various Public Health Emergency Orders limiting mass gatherings due to COVID-19; and the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Division's Guidance to Public Entities Regarding the Open Meetings Act and Inspection of Public Records Act Compliance During COVID-19 State of Emergency.

At the public hearing the EIB will consider proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC "Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Licensure", as proposed in the Petition to Amend 20.3.20 NMAC of the Radiation Protection Regulations and Request for Hearing ("Petition"), docket number EIB 21-56. The Petition has been filed by the Radiation Control Bureau ("Bureau") of the New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED"). The proposed amendments consist of the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license and clarification of the requirements

and scope of practice for the Provisional License. The Bureau will also take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor and typographical errors. The addition of a CT license will maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from ionizing radiation in the practice of CT imaging by establishing requirements for appropriate education and training of these individuals operating CT medical equipment. Please note that formatting and minor technical changes in the regulations other than those proposed by NMED may be considered at the hearing. In addition, the EIB may make other changes as necessary to accomplish the purpose of protecting public health and safety in response to public comments and evidence presented at the hearing.

The administration and enforcement of the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Health and Safety Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 61-14E-1 to -12 (1983, as amended through 2020) ("Act") and corresponding regulations is vested in NMED. NMSA 1978, § 61-14E-6. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), NMED has the authority to develop and enforce rules and standards for medical radiation, health and safety certification and standards for radiologic technologists.

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 61-14E-5 (2009), the proposed amendments were provided to the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council ("MIRTAC") at its December 20, 2019 meeting. The MIRTAC has consented to the amendments. Finally, the EIB has the authority to amend the Radiation Protection Regulations, 20.3.20 NMAC, as provided by Section 61-14E-5 and NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020).

A copy of the proposed amendments is posted on the EIB website as attachments to the Petition under docket number EIB 21-56. https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/

To obtain a physical or electronic copy of the proposed amendments contact: Pamela Jones, Board Administrator, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502; Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us; (505) 660-4305. In your correspondence reference docket number EIB 21-56.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the EIB's Rulemaking Procedures found at 20.1.1 NMAC, the Environmental Improvement Act, NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-9 (1985), and other applicable procedures and procedural orders. Written comments regarding the proposed amendments will be posted on the docket page at https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ and may also be obtained from Pamela Jones, EIB Administrator, at the contact information listed above.

All interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity at the hearing to submit relevant evidence, data, views and arguments, orally or in writing, to introduce exhibits, and to examine witnesses. Any person who wishes to submit a non-technical written statement for the record in lieu of oral testimony must file such statement prior to the close of the hearing via electronic mail to: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

Persons wishing to present technical testimony must file with the EIB a written notice of intent to do so. Notices of intent for the hearing must be received by the EIB by 5:00 p.m. MST on March 4, 2022, and should reference the name of the regulations, the date of the hearing (March 25, 2022), and docket number EIB 21-56.

The requirements for a notice of intent can be found in 20.1.1.302 NMAC.

The notice of intent shall:

- (1) identify the person for whom the witness(es) will testify;
- (2) identify each technical witness the person intends to present and state the qualifications of that witness, including a description of their educational and work background;
- (3) if the hearing will be conducted at multiple locations, indicate the location or locations at which the witnesses will be present;

- (4) include a copy of the direct testimony of each technical witness in narrative form;
- (5) include the text of any recommended modifications to the proposed regulatory change; and
- (6) list and attach all exhibits anticipated to be offered by that person at the hearing, including any proposed statement of reasons for adoption of rules.

If you are an individual with a disability and you require assistance or an auxiliary aid, e.g., sign language interpreter, to participate in any aspect of this process, please contact Pamela Jones, Board Administrator, at least 14 days prior to the hearing date at P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, telephone (505) 660-4305 or email Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us. (TDD or TTY) users please access the number via the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 (voice); TTY users: 1-800-659-8331).

The EIB may make a decision on the proposed regulatory changes at the conclusion of the hearing or may convene a meeting after the hearing to consider action on the proposal.

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La Junta de Mejora Ambiental ("EIB" por sus siglas en inglés) celebrará una audiencia pública el 25 de marzo de 2022 a partir de las 9:00 a.m., MDT, por Internet (Zoom) y por teléfono.

Si desea unirse a la videoconferencia en línea, vaya a

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Se recibirán comentarios por correo electrónico hasta la conclusión de la audiencia. Para hacer comentarios por correo electrónico, envíe la correspondencia a Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

La audiencia se va a llevar a cabo a través de Internet, correo electrónico y medios telefónicos debido a las preocupaciones que rodean al Nuevo Coronavirus ("COVID-19") y de acuerdo con la Declaración de Emergencia de Salud Pública de la gobernadora Michelle Lujan Grisham en la Orden Ejecutiva 2020-004, y órdenes ejecutivas posteriores; varias órdenes de emergencia de salud pública que limitan las reuniones masivas debido al COVID-19; y la Guía de la División de Gobierno Abierto de la Oficina del Procurador General para Entidades Públicas con respecto a la Ley de Reuniones Abiertas y el Cumplimiento de la Ley de Inspección de Registros Públicos durante el Estado de Emergencia COVID-19.

En la audiencia pública, la EIB considerará las enmiendas propuestas a 20.3.20 NMAC "Licencia de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia", según lo propuesto en la <u>Petición para Enmendar 20.3.20 NMAC del Reglamento de</u> Protección Radiológica y Solicitud de Audiencia ("Petición"), número de expediente EIB 21-56. La Petición ha sido

presentada por la Oficina de Control de Radiación ("Oficina") del Departamento de Medio Ambiente de Nuevo México ("NMED" por sus siglas en inglés). Las modificaciones propuestas consisten en la adición de una Licencia de Tomografía Computarizada ("CT" por sus siglas en inglés) y la aclaración de los requisitos y el alcance de la práctica para la Licencia Provisional. La Oficina también aprovechará esta oportunidad para aclarar los requisitos existentes y corregir errores menores y tipográficos. La adición de una licencia TC maximizará la protección viable para los ciudadanos de Nuevo México contra la radiación ionizante en la práctica de obtención de imágenes de TC mediante el establecimiento de requisitos para la educación y la capacitación adecuadas de estas personas que operan equipos médicos de TC. Tenga en cuenta que el formato y los cambios técnicos menores en el reglamento distintos de los propuestos por el NMED pueden ser considerados durante la audiencia. Además, la EIB puede realizar otros cambios según sea necesario para cumplir el propósito de proteger la salud y la seguridad pública en respuesta a los comentarios públicos y las pruebas presentadas en la audiencia.

La administración y el cumplimiento de la Ley de Salud y Seguridad de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia, NMSA 1978, Secciones 61-14E-1 a -12 (1983, enmendada hasta 2020) ("Ley") y los reglamentos correspondientes se confieren al NMED. NMSA 1978, § 61-14E-6. De conformidad con NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), el NMED tiene autoridad para desarrollar y hacer cumplir las normas y estándares de radiación médica, la certificación de salud y seguridad y los estándares para tecnólogos radiológicos.

De acuerdo con NMSA 1978, Sección 61-14E-5 (2009), las enmiendas propuestas se proporcionaron al Consejo Asesor de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia ("MIRTAC" por sus siglas en inglés) en su reunión del 20 de diciembre de 2019. El MIRTAC ha dado su consentimiento a las enmiendas. Por último, la EIB tiene autoridad para enmendar el Reglamento de Protección Radiológica, 20.3.20 NMAC, según lo dispuesto en la Sección 61-14E-5 y NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020).

Una copia de las enmiendas propuestas está publicada en el sitio web de la EIB como anexos a la Petición bajo el número de expediente EIB 21-56. https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/

Para obtener una copia impresa o una copia electrónica de las enmiendas propuestas, comuníquese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us; (505) 660-4305. En su correspondencia haga referencia al número de expediente EIB 21-56.

La audiencia se llevará a cabo de acuerdo con los Procedimientos de Reglamentación de la EIB que se encuentran en 20.1.1 NMAC, la Ley de Mejora Ambiental, NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-9 (1985), y otros procedimientos y órdenes de procedimiento aplicables. Los comentarios por escrito relativos a las enmiendas propuestas se publicarán en la página del expediente en https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ y también podrán obtenerse comunicándose con Pamela Jones, administradora de la EIB, en la información de contacto indicada anteriormente.

Todas las personas interesadas tendrán una oportunidad razonable durante la audiencia para presentar pruebas, datos, puntos de vista y argumentos pertinentes, oralmente o por escrito, presentar pruebas instrumentales e interrogar a los testigos. Toda persona que desee presentar una declaración no técnica por escrito para que conste en acta en lugar de un testimonio oral deberá presentar dicha declaración antes del cierre de la audiencia por correo electrónico a: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

Las personas que deseen presentar un testimonio técnico deben presentar a la EIB un aviso por escrito de su intención de hacerlo. Los avisos de intención para la audiencia deben ser recibidos por la EIB a más tardar hasta las 5:00 p.m., MST, del 4 de marzo de 2022, y deben hacer referencia al nombre de los reglamentos, la fecha de la audiencia (25 de marzo de 2022) y el número de expediente EIB 21-56.

Los requisitos para un aviso de intención se encuentran en 20.1.1.302 NMAC.

El aviso de intención deberá:

- (1) identificar a la persona para la que el testigo o testigos darán testimonio;
- (2) identificar cada uno de los testigos técnicos que la persona tiene intención de presentar e indicar las cualificaciones de dicho testigo, incluida una descripción de su historial educativo y laboral;
- (3) si la audiencia se lleva a cabo en varios lugares, indicar el lugar o lugares en los que estarán presentes los testigos;
- (4) incluir una copia del testimonio directo de cada testigo técnico en forma narrativa;
- (5) incluir el texto de cualquier modificación recomendada al propuesto cambio reglamentario; y
- (6) enumerar y adjuntar todas las pruebas instrumentales que se prevé que esa persona presentará en la audiencia, incluida cualquier declaración propuesta de motivos para la adopción de las normas.

Si usted tiene una discapacidad y necesita asistencia o ayuda auxiliar, por ejemplo, un intérprete de lenguaje de signos, para participar en cualquier aspecto de este proceso, comuníquese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, al menos 14 días antes de la fecha de la audiencia en P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; teléfono (505) 660-4305 o correo electrónico Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us. (TDD o TTY) los usuarios pueden acceder al número a través de la Red de Retransmisión de Nuevo México, 1-800-659-1779 (voz); usuarios de TTY: 1-800-659-8331).

La EIB podrá tomar una decisión sobre los cambios reglamentarios propuestos al término de la audiencia o podrá convocar una reunión después de la audiencia para considerar la adopción de medidas sobre la propuesta.

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Ambiental ("EIB" por sus siglas en ingl s) celebrar una audiencia p blica el 25 de marzo de 2022 a partir de las 9:00 a.m., MDT, por Internet (Zoom) y por tel fono. 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La audiencia se va a llevar a cabo a trav s de Internet, correo electr nico y medios telef nicos debido a las preocupaciones que rodean al Nuevo Coronavirus ("COVID-19") y de acuerdo con la Declaraci n de Emergencia de Salud P blica de la gobernadora Michelle Luian Grisham en la Orden Ejecutiva 2020-004, y rdenes ejecutivas posteriores; varias rdenes de emergencia de salud p blica que limitan las reuniones masivas debido al COVID-19; y la Gu a de la Divisi n de Gobierno Abierto de la Oficina del Procurador General para Entidades P blicas con respecto a la Ley de Reuniones Abiertas y el Cumplimiento de la Ley de Inspecci n de Registros P blicos durante el Estado de Emergencia COVID-19. En la audiencia p blica, la EIB considerar las enmiendas propuestas a 20.3.20 NMAC "Licencia de Im genes M dicas y Radioterapia", seg n lo propuesto en la Petici n para Enmendar 20.3.20 NMAC del Reglamento de Protecci n Radiol gica y Solicitud de Audiencia ("Petici n"), n mero de expediente EIB 21-56. La Petici n ha sido presentada por la Oficina de Control de Radiaci n ("Oficina") del Departamento de Medio Ambiente de Nuevo M xico ("NMED" por sus siglas en ingl s). Las modificaciones propuestas consisten en la adici n de una Licencia de Tomograf a Computarizada ("CT" por sus siglas en ingl s) y la aclaraci n de los requisitos y el alcance de la pr ctica para la Licencia Provisional. La Oficina tambi n aprovechar esta oportunidad para aclarar los requisitos existentes y corregir errores menores y tipogr ficos. La adici n de una licencia TC maximizar la protecci n viable para los ciudadanos de Nuevo M xico contra la radiaci n ionizante en la pr ctica de obtenci n de im genes de TC mediante el establecimiento de requisitos para la educaci n y la capacitaci n adecuadas de estas personas que operan equipos m dicos de TC. Tenga en cuenta que el formato y los cambios t cnicos menores en el reglamento distintos de los propuestos por el NMED pueden ser considerados durante la audiencia. Adem s, la EIB puede realizar otros cambios seg n sea necesario para cumplir el prop sito de proteger la salud y la seguridad p blica en respuesta a los comentarios p blicos y las pruebas presentadas en la audiencia. La administraci n y el cumplimiento de la Ley de Salud y Seguridad de Im genes M dicas y Radioterapia, NMSA 1978, Secciones 61-14E-1 a -12 (1983, enmendada hasta 2020) ("Lev") y los reglamentos correspondientes se confieren al NMED, NMSA 1978, 61-14E-6. De conformidad con NMSA 1978, Secci n 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), el NMED tiene autoridad para desarrollar y hacer cumplir las normas y est ndares de radiaci n m dica, la certificaci n de salud y seguridad y los est ndares para tecn logos radiol gicos. De acuerdo con NMSA 1978, Secci n 61-14E-5 (2009), las enmiendas propuestas se proporcionaron al Consejo Asesor de Im genes M dicas y Radioterapia ("MIRTAC" por sus siglas en ingl s) en su reuni n del 20 de diciembre de 2019. El MIRTAC ha dado su consentimiento a las enmiendas. Por Itimo, la EIB tiene autoridad para enmendar el Reglamento de Protecci n Radiol gica, 20.3.20 NMAC, seg n lo dispuesto en la Secci n 61-14E-5 y NMSA 1978, Secci n 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020). Una copia de las enmiendas propuestas est publicada en el sitio web de la EIB como anexos a la Petici n bajo el n mero de expediente EIB 21-56, https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ Para obtener una copia impresa o una copia electr nica de las enmiendas propuestas, comun quese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us; (505) 660-4305. En su correspondencia haga referencia al n mero de expediente EIB 21-56. La audiencia se llevar a cabo de acuerdo con los Procedimientos de Reglamentaci n de la EIB que se encuentran en 20.1.1 NMAC, la Ley de Mejora Ambiental, NMSA 1978, Secci n 74-1-9 (1985), y otros procedimientos y rdenes de procedimiento aplicables. Los comentarios por escrito relativos a las enmiendas propuestas se publicar n en la p qina del expediente en https://www.env.nm.qov/opf/docketed-matters/ y tambi n podr n obtenerse comunic ndose con Development of the CIP of the Cip

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Pameia Jones, administradora de la EIB, en la informaci n de contacto indicada anteriormente. Iodas las personas interesadas tendr n una oportunidad razonable durante la audiencia para presentar pruebas, datos, puntos de vista y argumentos pertinentes, oralmente o por escrito, presentar pruebas instrumentales e interrogar a los testigos. Toda persona que desee presentar una declaraci n no t cnica por escrito para que conste en acta en lugar de un testimonio oral deber presentar dicha declaraci n antes del cierre de la audiencia por correo electr nico a: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us. Las personas que deseen presentar un testimonio t cnico deben presentar a la EIB un aviso por escrito de su intenci n de hacerlo. Los

avisos de intenci n para la audiencia deben ser recibidos por la EIB a m s tardar hasta las 5:00 p.m., MST, del 4 de marzo de 2022, y deben hacer referencia al nombre de los reglamentos, la fecha de la audiencia (25 de marzo de 2022) y el n mero de expediente EIB 21-56. Los requisitos para un aviso de intenci n se encuentran en 20.1.1.302 NMAC. El aviso de intenci n deber: (1) identificar a la persona para la que el testigo o testigos dar n testimonio; (2) identificar cada uno de los testigos t cnicos que la persona tiene intenci n de presentar e indicar las cualificaciones de dicho testigo, incluida una descripci n de su historial educativo y laboral; (3) si la audiencia se lleva a cabo en varios lugares, indicar el lugar o lugares en los que estar n presentes los testigos; (4) incluir una copia del testimonio directo de cada testigo t cnico en forma narrativa; (5) incluir el texto de cualquier modificaci n recomendada al propuesto cambio reglamentario; y (6) enumerar y adjuntar todas las pruebas instrumentales que se prey que esa persona presentar en la audiencia, incluida cualquier declaraci n propuesta de motivos para la adopci n de las normas. Si usted tiene una discapacidad y necesita asistencia o ayuda auxiliar, por ejemplo, un int rprete de lenguaje de signos, para participar en cualquier aspecto de este proceso, comun quese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, al menos 14 d as antes de la fecha de la audiencia en P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103. Santa Fe. NM. 87502: tel fono (505) 660-4305 o correo electr nico Pamela Jones@state.nm.us. (TDD o TTY) los usuarios pueden acceder al n mero a tray s de la Red de Retransmisi n de Nuevo M xico. 1-800-659-1779 (voz): usuarios de TTY: 1-800-659-8331). La EIB podr tomar una decisi n sobre los cambios reglamentarios propuestos al t rmino de la audiencia o podr convocar una reuni n despu s de la audiencia para considerar la adopci n de medidas sobre la propuesta. DECLARACI N DE NO DISCRIMINACI N NMED no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, nacionalidad, discapacidad, edad o sexo en la administraci n de sus programas o actividades, como lo exigen las leves y reglamentos aplicables. NMED es responsable de la coordinaci n de los esfuerzos de cumplimiento y la recepci n de consultas sobre los requisitos de no discriminaci n implementados por 40 C.F.R. Partes 5 y 7, incluido el T tulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, seg n enmendada: Secci n 504 de la Ley de rehabilitaci n de 1973; la Ley de Discriminaci n por Edad de 1975, el T tulo IX de las Enmiendas de Educaci n de 1972 y la Secci n 13 de las Enmiendas de la Ley Federal de Control de la Contaminaci n del Agua de 1972. Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre este aviso o cualquiera de los programas, pol ticas o procedimientos de no discriminaci n de NMED, puede comunicarse con: Kathryn Becker, coordinadora de no discriminaci n | NMED | 1190 St. Francis Dr., Suite N4050 | P.O. Box 5469 | Santa Fe, NM 87502 | (505) 827-2855 o nd.coordinator@state.nm.us Si cree que ha sido discriminado con respecto a un programa o actividad de NMED, puede comunicarse con la coordinadora de no discriminaci n identificada m s arriba o visitar nuestro sitio web en https://www.env.nm.gov/non-employee-discriminationcomplaint-page/ para aprender c mo y d nde presentar una queja de discriminaci n. Journal: December 26, 2021

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La Junta de Mejora Ambiental ("EIB" por sus siglas en inglés) celebrará una audiencia pública el 25 de marzo de 2022 a partir de las 9:00 a.m., MDT, por Internet (Zoom) y por teléfono. Si desea unirse a la videoconferencia en linea, vaya a https://zoom.us/j97661947432?pwd=N0xqMFIFcVpINk11RHJPOUgwcUNHQT09

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Se recibirán comentarios por correo electrónico hasta la conclusión de la audiencia. Para hacer comentarios por correo electrónico, envie la correspondencia a Pamela. Jones@state.nm.us.

La audiencia se va a llevar a cabo a través de Internet, correo electrónico y medios telefónicos debido a las preocupaciones que rodean al Nuevo Coronavirus ("COVID-19") y de acuerdo con la Declaración de Emergencia de Salud Pública de la gobernadora Michelle Lujan Grisham en la Orden Ejecutiva 2020-004, y órdenes ejecutivas posteriores; varias órdenes de emergencia de salud pública que limitan las reuniones masivas debido al COVID-19; y la Guia de la División de Gobierno Abierto de la Oficina del Procurador General para Entidades Públicas con respecto a la Ley de Reuniones Abiertas y el Cumplimiento de la Ley de Inspección de Registros Públicos durante el Estado de Emergencia COVID-19.

En la audiencia pública, la EIB considerará las enmiendas propuestas a 20.3.20 NMAC "Licencia de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia", según lo propuesto en la Petición para Enmendar 20.3.20 NMAC del Reglamento de Protección Radiológica y Solicitud de Audiencia ("Petición"), número de expediente EIB 21-56. La Petición ha sido presentada por la Oficina de Control de Radiación ("Oficina") del Departamento de Medio Ambiente de Nuevo México ("NMED" por sus siglas en inglés). Las modificaciones propuestas consisten en la adición de una Licencia de Tomografía Computarizada ("CT" por sus siglas en inglés) y la aclaración de los requisitos y el alcance de la práctica para la Licencia Provisional. La Oficina también aprovechará esta oportunidad para aclarar los requisitos existentes y corregir errores menores y tipográficos. La adición de una licencia TC maximizará la protección viable para los ciudadanos de Nuevo México contra la radiación ionizante en la práctica de obtención de imágenes de TC mediante el establecimiento de requisitos para la educación y la capacitación adecuadas de esde Nuevo Mexico contra la radiación ionizante en la practica de obtención de imagenes de IC mediante el establecimiento de requisitos para la educación y la capacitación adecuadas de estas personas que operan equipos médicos de TC. Tenga en cuenta que el formato y los cambios técnicos menores en el reglamento distintos de los propuestos por el NMED pueden ser considerados durante la audiencia. Además, la EIB puede realizar otros cambios según sea necesario para cumplir el propósito de proteger la salud y la seguridad pública en respuesta a los comentarios públicos y las pruebas presentadas en la audiencia.

La administración y el cumplimiento de la Ley de Salud y Seguridad de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia, NMSA 1978, Secciones 61-14E-1 a -12 (1983, enmendada hasta 2020) ("Ley") y los reglamentos correspondientes se confieren al NMED. NMSA 1978, § 61-14E-6. De conformidad con NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), el NMED tiene autoridad para desarrollar y hacer cumplir las normas y estándares de radiación médica, la certificación de salud y seguridad y los estándares para técnólogos radiológicos.

De acuerdo con NIMSA 1978, Sección 61-14E-5 (2009), las enmiendas propuestas se proporcionaron al Consejo Asesor de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia ("MIRTAC" por sus siglas en inglés) en su reunión del 20 de diciembre de 2019. El MIRTAC ha dado su consentimiento a las enmiendas. Por último, la ElB tiene autoridad para enmendar el Reglamento de Protección Radiológica, 20.3.20 NIMAC, según lo dispuesto en la Sección 61-14E-5 y NIMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020).

Una copia de las enmiendas propuestas está publicada en el sitio web de la EIB como anexos a la Petición bajo el número de expediente EIB 21-56. https://www.env.nm. gov/opf/docketed-matters/

Para obtener una copia impresa o una copia electrónica de las enmiendas propuestas, comuniquese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us; (505) 660-4305. En su correspondencia haga referencia al número de expediente EIB 21-56.

La audiencia se llevará a cabo de acuerdo con los Procedimientos de Reglamentación de la EIB que se encuentran en 20.1.1 NMAC, la Ley de Mejora Ambiental, NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-9 (1985), y otros procedimientos y órdenes de procedimiento aplicables. Los comentarios por escrito relativos a las enmiendas propuestas se publicarán en la página del expediente en https: //www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ y también podrán obtenerse comunicándose con Pa-mela Jones, administradora de la EIB, en la información de contacto indicada anteriormente.

Todas las personas interesadas tendrán una oportunidad razonable durante la audiencia para presentar pruebas, datos, puntos de vista y argumentos pertinentes, oralmente o por escrito, presentar pruebas instrumentales e interrogar a los testigos. Toda persona que desee presentar una declaración no técnica por escrito para que conste en acta en lunar de un testimonio oral. deberá presentar dicha declaración antes del cierre de la audiencia por correo electrónico a: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

Las personas que deseen presentar un testimonio técnico deben presentar a la EIB un aviso por escrito de su intención de hacerlo. Los avisos de intención para la audiencia deben ser recibidos por la EIB a más tardar hasta las 5:00 p.m., MST, del 4 de marzo de 2022, y deben hacer referencia al nombre de los reglamentos, la fecha de la audiencia (25 de marzo de 2022) y el número de expediente EIB 21-56.

Los requisitos para un aviso de intención se encuentran en 20.1.1.302 NMAC. El aviso de intención deberá:

- identificar a la persona para la que el testigo o testigos darán testimonio;
 identificar cada uno de los testigos técnicos que la persona tiene intención de presentar e indicar las cualificaciones de dicho testigo, incluida una descripción de su historial educativo y laboral;
- (3) si la audiencia se lleva a cabo en varios lugares, indicar el lugar o lugares en los que estarán presentes los testigos;
 (4) incluir una copia del testimonio directo de cada testigo técnico en forma narrativa;
 (5) incluir el texto de cualquier modificación recomendada al propuesto cambio reglamentario;

- (6) enumerar y adjuntar todas las pruebas instrumentales que se prevé que esa persona presentará en la audiencia, incluida cualquier declaración propuesta de motivos para la adopción de las normas.

Si usted tiene una discapacidad y necesita asistencia o ayuda auxiliar, por ejemplo, un intérprete de lenguaje de signos, para participar en cualquier aspecto de este proceso, comuniquese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Jurita, al menos 14 días antes de la fecha de la audiencia en P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; teléfono (505) 660-4305 o correo electrónico Pamela. Jones⊚state.m.us. (TDD o TTY) los usuarios pueden acceder al número a través de la Red de Retransmisión de Nuevo México, 1-800-659-1779 (voz); usuarios de TTY: 1-800-659-8331).

La EIB podrá tomar una decisión sobre los cambios reglamentarios propuestos al término de la audiencia o podrá convocar una reunión después de la audiencia para considerar la adopción de medidas sobre la propuesta.

DECLARACIÓN DE NO DISCRIMINACIÓN

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NMED es responsable de la coordinación de los esfuerzos de cumplimiento y la recepción de consultas sobre los requisitos de no discriminación implementados por 40 C.F.R. Partes 5 y 7, incluido el Titulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmendada; Sección 504 de la Ley de rehabilitación de 1973; la Ley de Discriminación por Edad de 1975, el Titulo IX de las Enmiendas de Educación de 1972 y la Sección 13 de las Enmiendas de la Ley Federal de Control de la Contaminación del Agua de 1972. Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre este aviso o cualquiera de los programas, políticas o procedimientos de no discriminación de NMED, puede

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NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 20.3.20 NMAC OF THE RADIATION PROTECTION REGULATIONS EIB 21-56

The Environmental Improvement Board ("EIB") will hold a public hearing March 25, 2022 beginning at 9:00 a.m.MDT via internet (Zoom) and via telephone.

If you would like to join the video conference online, go to:

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Comments will be received via electronic mail through the conclusion of the hearing. To comment via electronic mail, send correspondence to: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

The hearing is being held via internet, email and telephonic means due to the concerns surrounding the Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") and in accord with Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham's Declaration of a Public Health Emergency in Executive Order 2020-004, and subsequent executive orders; various Public Health Emergency Orders limiting mass gatherings due to COVID-19; and the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Division's Guidance to Public Entities Regarding the Open Meetings Act and Inspection of Public Records Act Compliance During COVID-19 State of Emergency.

At the public hearing the EIB will consider proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC "Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Licensure", as proposed in the Petition to Amend 20.3.20 NMAC of the Radiation Protection Regulations and Request for Hearing ("Petition"), docket number EIB 21-56. The Petition has been filed by the Radiation Control Bureau ("Bureau") of the New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED"). The proposed amendments consist of the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license and clarification of the requirements and scope of practice for the Provisional License. The Bureau will also take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor and typographical errors. The addition of a CT license will maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from ionizing radiation in the practice of CT imaging by establishing requirements for appropriate education and training of these individuals operating CT medical equipment. Please note that formatting and minor technical changes in the regulations other than those proposed by NMED may be considered at the hearing. In addition, the EIB may make other changes as necessary to accomplish the purpose of protecting public health and safety in response to public comments and evidence presented at the hearing.

The administration and enforcement of the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Health and Safety Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 61-14E-1 to -12 (1983, as amended through 2020) ("Act") and corresponding regulations is vested in NMED. NMSA 1978, § 61-14E-6. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), NMED has the authority to develop and enforce rules and standards for medical radiation, health and safety certification and standards for radiologic technologists.

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 61-14E-5 (2009), the proposed amendments were provided to the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council ("MIRTAC") at its December 20, 2019 meeting. The

MIRTAC has consented to the amendments. Finally, the EIB has the authority to amend the Radiation Protection Regulations, 20.3.20 NMAC, as provided by Section 61-14E-5 and NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020). A copy of the proposed amendments is posted on the EIB website as attachments to the Petition under docket number EIB 21-56. https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/

To obtain a physical or electronic copy of the proposed amendments contact: Pamela Jones, Board Administrator, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502; Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us; (505) 660-4305.In your correspondence reference docket number EIB 21-56.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the EIB's Rulemaking Procedures found at 20.1.1 NMAC, the Environmental Improvement Act, NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-9 (1985), and other applicable procedures and procedural orders. Written comments regarding the proposed amendments will be posted on the docket page at https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ and may also be obtained from Pamela Jones, EIB Administrator, at the contact information listed above.

All interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity at the hearing to submit relevant evidence, data, views and arguments, orally or in writing, to introduce exhibits, and to examine witnesses. Any person who wishes to submit a non-technical written statement for the record in lieu of oral testimony must file such statement prior to the close of the hearing via electronic mail to: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

Persons wishing to present technical testimony must file with the EIB a written notice of intent to do so. Notices of intent for the hearing must be received by the EIB by 5:00 p.m. MST on March 4, 2022, and should reference the name of the regulations, the date of the hearing (March 25, 2022), and docket number EIB 21-56.

The requirements for a notice of intent can be found in 20.1.1.302 NMAC.

The notice of intent shall:

- (1) identify the person for whom the witness(es) will testify;
- (2) identify each technical witness the person intends to present and state the qualifications of that witness, including a description of their educational and work background;
- (3) if the hearing will be conducted at multiple locations, indicate the location or locations at which the witnesses will be present;
 - (4) include a copy of the direct testimony of each technical witness in narrative form;
 - include the text of any recommended modifications to the proposed regulatory change; and
- (6) list and attach all exhibits anticipated to be offered by that person at the hearing, including any proposed statement of reasons for adoption of rules.

If you are an individual with a disability and you require assistance or an auxiliary aid, e.g., sign language interpreter, to participate in any aspect of this process, please contact Pamela Jones, Board Administrator, at least 14 days prior to the hearing date at P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, telephone (505) 660-4305 or email Pamela. Jones @state.nm.us. (TDD or TTY) users please access the number via the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 (voice); TTY users: 1-800-659-8331).

The EIB may make a decision on the proposed regulatory changes at the conclusion of the hearing or may convene a meeting after the hearing to consider action on the proposal.

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

NMED does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age or sex in the administration of its programs or activities, as required by applicable laws and regulations.

NMED is responsible for coordination of compliance efforts and receipt of inquiries concerning non-discrimination requirements implemented by 40 C.F.R. Parts 5 and 7, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972. If you have any questions about this notice or any of NMED's non-discrimination programs, policies or procedures, you may contact:

Kathryn Becker, Non-Discrimination Coordinator, New Mexico Environment Department, 1190 St. Francis Dr., Suite N4050, P.O. Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502, (505) 827-2855, nd.coordinator@state.nm.us.

If you believe that you have been discriminated against with respect to a NMED program or activity, you may contact the Non-Discrimination Coordinator identified above or visit our website at https://www.env.nm.gov/non-employee-discrimination-complaint-page/ to learn how and where to file a complaint of discrimination.

AVISO DE LA JUNTA DE MEJORA AMBIENTAL DE NUEVO MÉXICO DE UNA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA PARA CONSIDERAR LAS ENMIENDAS PROPUESTAS A 20.3,20 NMAC DEL REGLAMENTO DE PROTECCIÓN RADIOLÓGICA EIB 21-56

La Junta de Mejora Ambiental ("EIB" por sus siglas en inglés) celebrará una audiencia pública el 25 de marzo de 2022 a partir de las 9:00 a.m., MDT, por Internet (Zoom) y por teléfono.

Si desea unirse a la videoconferencia en línea, vaya a

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Se recibirán comentarios por correo electrónico hasta la conclusión de la audiencia. Para hacer comentarios por correo electrónico, envíe la correspondencia a Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

La audiencia se va a llevar a cabo a través de Internet, correo electrónico y medios telefónicos debido a las preocupaciones que rodean al Nuevo Coronavirus ("COVID-19") y de acuerdo con la Declaración de Emergencia de Salud Pública de la gobernadora Michelle Lujan Grisham en la <u>Orden Ejecutiva 2020-004</u>, y órdenes ejecutivas posteriores; varias órdenes de emergencia de salud pública que limitan las reuniones masivas debido al COVID-19; y la <u>Guía de la División de Gobierno Abierto de la Oficina del Procurador General para Entidades Públicas con respecto a la Ley de Reuniones Abiertas y el <u>Cumplimiento de la Ley de Inspección de Registros Públicos durante el Estado de Emergencia COVID-19.</u></u>

En la audiencia pública, la EIB considerará las enmiendas propuestas a 20.3.20 NMAC "Licencia de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia", según lo propuesto en la Petición para Enmendar 20.3.20 NMAC del Reglamento de Protección Radiológica y Solicitud de Audiencia ("Petición"), número de expediente EIB 21-56. La Petición ha sido presentada por la Oficina de Control de Radiación ("Oficina") del Departamento de Medio Ambiente de Nuevo México ("NMED" por sus siglas en inglés). Las modificaciones propuestas consisten en la adición de una Licencia de Tomografía Computarizada ("CT" por sus siglas en inglés) y la aclaración de los requisitos y el alcance de la práctica para la Licencia Provisional. La Oficina también aprovechará esta oportunidad para aclarar los requisitos existentes y corregir errores menores y tipográficos. La adición de una licencia TC maximizará la protección viable para los ciudadanos de Nuevo México contra la radiación ionizante en la práctica de obtención de imágenes de TC mediante el establecimiento de requisitos para la educación y la capacitación adecuadas de estas personas que operan equipos médicos de TC. Tenga en cuenta que el formato y los cambios técnicos menores en el reglamento distintos de los propuestos por el NMED pueden ser considerados durante la audiencia. Además, la EIB puede realizar otros cambios según sea necesario para cumplir el propósito de proteger la salud y la seguridad pública en respuesta a los comentarios públicos y las pruebas presentadas en la audiencia.

La administración y el cumplimiento de la Ley de Salud y Seguridad de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia, NMSA 1978, Secciones 61-14E-1 a -12 (1983, enmendada hasta 2020) ("Ley") y los reglamentos correspondientes se confieren al NMED. NMSA 1978, § 61-14E-6. De conformidad con NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), el NMED tiene autoridad para desarrollar y hacer cumplir las normas y estándares de radiación médica, la certificación de salud y seguridad y los estándares para tecnólogos radiológicos. De acuerdo con NMSA 1978, Sección 61-14E-5 (2009), las enmiendas propuestas se proporcionaron al Consejo Asesor de Imágenes Médicas y Radioterapia ("MIRTAC" por sus siglas en inglés) en su reunión del 20 de diciembre de 2019. El MIRTAC ha dado su consentimiento a las enmiendas. Por último, la EIB tiene autoridad para enmendar el Reglamento de Protección Radiológica, 20.3.20 NMAC, según lo dispuesto en la Sección 61-14E-5 y NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020).

Una copia de las enmiendas propuestas está publicada en el sitio web de la EIB como anexos a la Petición bajo el número de expediente EIB 21-56. https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/

Para obtener una copia impresa o una copia electrónica de las enmiendas propuestas, comuníquese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us; (505) 660-4305. En su correspondencia haga referencia al número de expediente EIB 21-56.

La audiencia se llevará a cabo de acuerdo con los Procedimientos de Reglamentación de la EIB que se encuentran en 20.1.1 NMAC, la Ley de Mejora Ambiental, NMSA 1978, Sección 74-1-9 (1985), y otros procedimientos y órdenes de procedimiento aplicables. Los comentarios por escrito relativos a las enmiendas propuestas se publicarán en la página del expediente en https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ y también podrán obtenerse comunicándose con Pamela Jones, administradora de la EIB, en la información de contacto indicada anteriormente.

Todas las personas interesadas tendrán una oportunidad razonable durante la audiencia para presentar pruebas, datos, puntos de vista y argumentos pertinentes, oralmente o por escrito, presentar pruebas instrumentales e interrogar a los testigos. Toda persona que desee presentar una declaración no técnica por escrito para que conste en acta en lugar de un testimonio oral deberá presentar dicha declaración antes del cierre de la audiencia por correo electrónico a: Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us.

Las personas que deseen presentar un testimonio técnico deben presentar a la EIB un aviso por escrito de su intención de hacerlo. Los avisos de intención para la audiencia deben ser recibidos por la EIB a más tardar hasta las 5:00 p.m., MST, del 4 de marzo de 2022, y deben hacer referencia al nombre de los reglamentos, la fecha de la audiencia (25 de marzo de 2022) y el número de expediente EIB 21-56.

Los requisitos para un aviso de intención se encuentran en 20.1.1.302 NMAC.

El aviso de intención deberá:

- (1) identificar a la persona para la que el testigo o testigos darán testimonio;
- (2) identificar cada uno de los testigos técnicos que la persona tiene intención de presentar e indicar las

cualificaciones de dicho testigo, incluida una descripción de su historial educativo y laboral;

- (3) si la audiencia se lleva a cabo en varios lugares, indicar el lugar o lugares en los que estarán presentes los testigos;
 - (4) incluir una copia del testimonio directo de cada testigo técnico en forma narrativa;
 - (5) incluir el texto de cualquier modificación recomendada al propuesto cambio reglamentario; y
- (6) enumerar y adjuntar todas las pruebas instrumentales que se prevé que esa persona presentará en la audiencia, incluida cualquier declaración propuesta de motivos para la adopción de las normas.

Si usted tiene una discapacidad y necesita asistencia o ayuda auxiliar, por ejemplo, un intérprete de lenguaje de signos, para participar en cualquier aspecto de este proceso, comuníquese con Pamela Jones, administradora de la Junta, al menos 14 días antes de la fecha de la audiencia en P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2103, Santa Fe, NM, 87502; teléfono (505) 660-4305 o correo electrónico Pamela. Jones @state.nm.us. (TDD o TTY) los usuarios pueden acceder al número a través de la Red de Retransmisión de Nuevo México, 1-800-659-1779 (voz); usuarios de TTY: 1-800-659-8331).

La EIB podrá tomar una decisión sobre los cambios reglamentarios propuestos al término de la audiencia o podrá convocar una reunión después de la audiencia para considerar la adopción de medidas sobre la propuesta.

DECLARACIÓN DE NO DISCRIMINACIÓN

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Kathryn Becker, coordinadora de no discriminación | NMED | 1190 St. Francis Dr., Suite N4050 | P.O. Box 5469 | Santa Fe, NM 87502 | (505) 827-2855 o nd.coordinator@state.nm.us

Si cree que ha sido discriminado con respecto a un programa o actividad de NMED, puede comunicarse con la coordinadora de no discriminación identificada más arriba o visitar nuestro sitio web en https://www.env.nm.gov/non-employee-discrimination-complaint-page/ para aprender cómo y dónde presentar una queja de discriminación.



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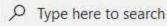


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The purpose of the hearing is to consider proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC "Radiologic Technology Certification". The proposed amendments consist of the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license and clarification of the requirements and scope of practice for the Provisional License. The Bureau will also take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor typographical errors.

Summary

AMENDMENTS TO 20.3.20 NMAC OF THE RADIATION PROTECTION REGULATIONS

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The petition and proposed amendments are available on the Environment Improvement Board's website, at

https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/ (https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/). The petition may also be obtained electronically by contacting Pamela Jones, Board Administrator, 1190 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, (505) 660-4305 or Pamela.Jones@state.nm.us).

Corrections:

Click Here to access Rule Corrections (https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/)

Rule Explanatory Statement:

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Related New Mexico Register Publications:

Not available

For any additional information or questions concerning this rule making or posting please contact:

Pamela Jones, EIB Administrator

pamela.jones@state.nm.us

(505) 660-4305

Last Updated Date

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How to submit Comments:

Those wishing to do so may offer non-technical public comment at the hearing or submit a non-technical written statement in lieu of oral testimony at or before the hearing. Written comments regarding the proposed amendment may be addressed to Pamela Jones. EIB Administrator, at the above address, and should reference docket number EIB 21-56.

When are comments due:

3/25/2022 12:00 PM

Hearing Date:

3/25/2022 9:00 AM

Public Hearing Location:

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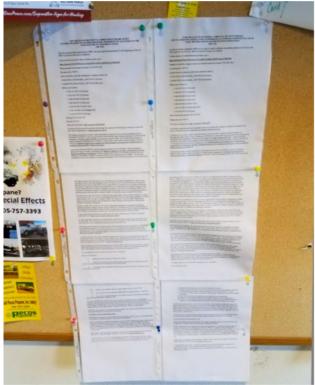
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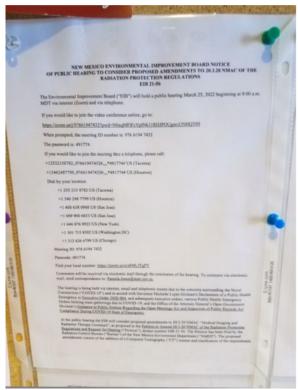
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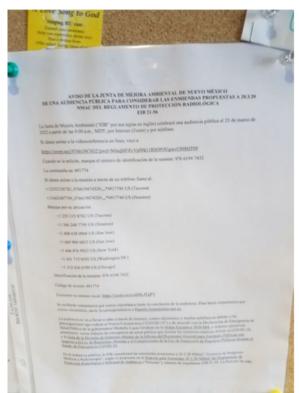
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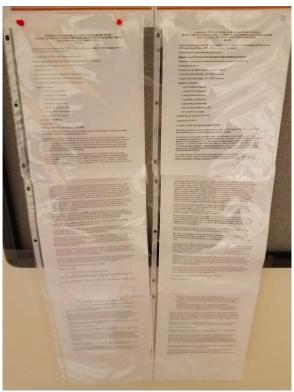
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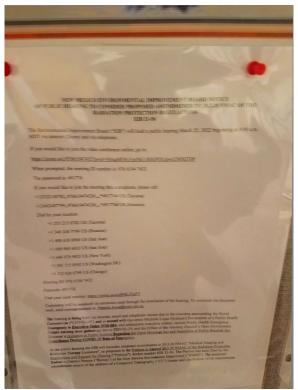
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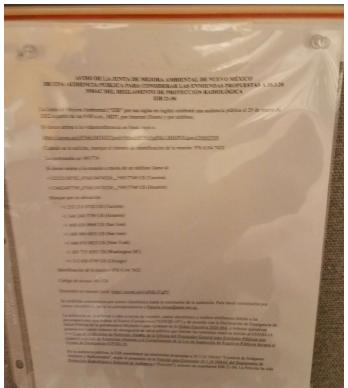
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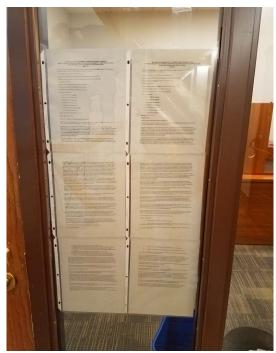
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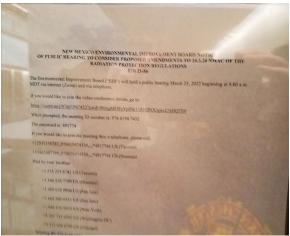
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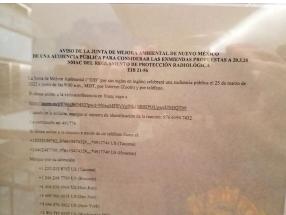
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From: Romero, Ray, NMENV

Joanne.vandestreek@nmlegis.gov To: Ics@nmlegis.gov; Napolitano, Mia, NMENV Cc:

Subject: EIB 21-56 Public Notice

Date: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 3:11:45 PM

Attachments: Public Notice for EIB 21-56 Rulemaking-English (FINAL) .pdf

Public Notice of EIB 21-56 Rulemaking -Spanish (FINAL) .pdf

Good afternoon Ms. Vandestreek,

I have be tasked with forwarding information to the New Mexico Legislative Council for an upcoming public hearing before the Environmental Improvement Board to consider proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC of the Radiation Protection Regulations. I have attached the public notice, in English and Spanish. The petition and proposed amendments are available on the Environment Improvement Board's website, at https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/wp- content/uploads/sites/13/2021/11/2021-10-26-EIB-21-56-Petition-to-Amend-20.3.20-NMACpj.pdf.

If further information is needed please contact me. Thank you for your assistance.

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From: Sanchez, Stephen, NMENV

To: Chandra Gerrard; "Victor Garnand"; "Ham, Melissa"; Lynnette M Trujillo; "Amanda Vega"; "Evelyn Vasquez";

"James Mayer"

Cc: Napolitano, Mia, NMENV; Rodriguez, Santiago, NMENV

Subject: English and Spanish Public Notice distribution to FW: MIRTAC rulemaking-Public Notice Requirements.

Date: Tuesday, December 28, 2021 5:41:50 PM

Attachments: Public Notice for EIB Rulemaking-English (FINAL) .pdf

Public Notice of EIB Rulemaking -Spanish (FINAL) .pdf

Public Notice Email in English (FINAL).docx

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Importance: High

Dear MIRTAC members,

Mia has requested that the attached public notices, in English and in Spanish, be distributed to all currently serving MIRTAC members, as a requirement of the public notice requirements that we have to meet for the rulemaking process.

Sincerely,

Stephen Sanchez

Program Administrator

Medical Imaging & Radiation Therapy Program

PO Box 5469

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-5469

Office 505-476-8633

Cell 505-699-2027

stephen.sanchez@state.nm.us

The NM Medical Imaging & Radiation Therapy Program (MIRTP) web page link

https://www.env.nm.gov/rcb/medical-imaging-radiation-therapy-program/

From: Romero, Ray, NMENV

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tholcomb@velaw.com; timothy.j.davis@nasa.gov; Mullins, Thomas; tuh@stateside.com;

turnboughmark@sbcglobal.net; western@modrall.com

Cc: Napolitano, Mia, NMENV Subject: Public Notice of Hearing

Date: Monday, December 27, 2021 8:31:38 AM

Attachments: Public Notice for EIB 21-56 Rulemaking-English (FINAL)

Public Notice of EIB 21-56 Rulemaking -Spanish (FINAL) .pdf

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Good morning,

Please find the attached Public Notice for a Public Hearing (in English and Spanish) for EIB 21-56, to consider the proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC of the Radiation Protection Regulations. As you will see in the notice, the hearing will take place on March 25, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. MDT and continue as necessary. The hearing will be held via an internet video conferencing platform (Zoom).

Public comment will be allowed at various points throughout the hearing. Relevant information on how to participate in this process can be found in the attached Public Notice.

Thank you,

Buenos dias,

Encuentre el Aviso Público adjunto para una audiencia pública (en inglés y español) para EIB 21-56, para considerar las enmiendas propuestas a 20.3.20 NMAC del Reglamento de Protección Radiológicas. Como verá en el aviso, la audiencia tendrá lugar el 25 de marzo de 2022 a las 9:00 a.m., MDT, y continuará según sea necesario. La audiencia se celebrará a través de una plataforma de videoconferencia por Internet (Zoom).

Se permitirán comentarios públicos en varios puntos durante la audiencia. Puede encontrar la información pertinente sobre cómo participar en este proceso en el Aviso Público adjunto.

Gracias,

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From: Romero, Ray, NMENV
To: Nelson, Johanna, EDD

Cc: Rodriguez, Santiago, NMENV; Sanchez, Stephen, NMENV; Ely, Sandra, NMENV; Napolitano, Mia, NMENV

Subject: NM Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission - Notice of Proposed Amendments 20.3.20 NMAC

Date: Thursday, December 9, 2021 10:35:14 AM

Attachments: 2021 12 09 Small Business Letter for EIB Rulemaking MIRTAC.pdf

2021 12 08 Proposed Amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC for SBRAC.pdf Public Notice for EIB 21-56 Rulemaking-English (FINAL) .pdf Public Notice of EIB 21-56 Rulemaking -Spanish (FINAL) .pdf

Ms. Nelson,

Attached, please find a letter along with the proposed amendments and public notices (in English and Spanish) which I ask to be distributed to the New Mexico Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission. Please contact me should you have any questions.

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SENT VIA EMAIL

December 9, 2021

Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission c/o Johanna Nelson, Administrator New Mexico Economic Development Department 1100 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505-4147

RE: Proposed Amendments of the Radiation Protection Regulations-20.3.20 NMAC

Dear Chair and Commission Members,

The New Mexico Environment Department ("Department") hereby provides notice to the Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 14-4A-4(A) (2005), that the Department's Environmental Protection Division, Radiation Control Bureau has petitioned the Environmental Improvement Board ("EIB") to amend 20.3.20 NMAC of the Radiation Protection Regulations.

The regulatory changes consist of the addition of a Computed Tomography ("CT") license and clarification of the requirements and scope of practice for the Provisional License. The Bureau will also take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor and typographical errors. The addition of a CT license will maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from ionizing radiation in the practice of CT imaging by establishing requirements for appropriate education and training of these individuals operating CT medical equipment.

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 61-14E-5 (2009), the proposed amendments were provided to the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council ("MIRTAC") at its December 20, 2019 meeting. The MIRTAC has consented to the amendments.

The EIB will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments on March 25, 2022 beginning at 9:00 a.m. MDT and continuing thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be held via an internet video conferencing platform (Zoom). For additional information on the upcoming hearing, I have enclosed a copy of the public notice in English and Spanish. The public notice can also be accessed on the EIB website under docket number EIB 21-56: https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/

If you have further questions, comments, or would like to have responsible staff meet and discuss the proposed amendments, please feel free to contact me directly at (505) 470-8151 or via email at mia.napolitano@state.nm.us. A copy of the proposed amendments is enclosed.

Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission December 9, 2021 Page 2

The Department requests that the Commission provide any written comments regarding possible adverse effects of the proposed amendments on small businesses no later than January 31, 2022.

Sincerely,

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Mia Napolitano

Assistant General Counsel

cc: Santiago Rodriguez, NMED/RCB Bureau Chief, santiago.rodriguez1@state.nm.us
Stephen Sanchez, NMED/RCB Program Administrator, stephen.sanchez@state.nm.us
Sandra Ely, NMED/EPD Director, sandra.Ely@state.nm.us

From: Romero, Ray, NMENV
To: Napolitano, Mia, NMENV

Subject: Fwd: NM Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission - Notice of Proposed Amendments 20.3.20 NMAC

Date: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 4:30:04 PM

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From: Painter, Westlee A, EDD < Westlee A. Painter@state.nm.us>

Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 4:26:20 PM

To: Romero, Ray, NMENV <Ray.Romero@state.nm.us>

Subject: RE: NM Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission - Notice of Proposed Amendments

20.3.20 NMAC

Good afternoon, Mr. Romero.

The SBRAC committee reported no findings in the proposed rules. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach back out to me.

Sincerely,

Ms. Westlee A. Painter

Executive Assistant to the Deputy Cabinet Secretary Jon Clark

Economic Development Department

Work: (505) 827-0300 Cell: (505) 470 - 9472

From: Nelson, Johanna, EDD < Johanna. Nelson@state.nm.us>

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 1:26 PM

To: Painter, Westlee A, EDD < Westlee A. Painter@state.nm.us>

Cc: Romero, Ray, NMENV <Ray.Romero@state.nm.us>

Subject: FW: NM Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission - Notice of Proposed Amendments

20.3.20 NMAC

Hi Westlee, please the following related to SBRAC.

Thank you!

From: Romero, Ray, NMENV < <u>Ray.Romero@state.nm.us</u>>

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 10:35 AM

To: Nelson, Johanna, EDD < <u>Johanna.Nelson@state.nm.us</u>>

Cc: Rodriguez, Santiago, NMENV <<u>Santiago.Rodriguez1@state.nm.us</u>>; Sanchez, Stephen, NMENV <<u>stephen.sanchez@state.nm.us</u>>; Ely, Sandra, NMENV <<u>Sandra.Ely@state.nm.us</u>>; Napolitano, Mia, NMENV <<u>Mia.Napolitano@state.nm.us</u>>

Subject: NM Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission - Notice of Proposed Amendments 20.3.20 NMAC

Ms. Nelson,

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New Mexico Environment Department

Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council (MIRTAC)

Unapproved Minutes of the Meeting

December 20, 2019

The meeting of the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council was called to order on December 20, 2019 at the Domenici Center for Health Sciences, 1001 Stanford Dr, NE Suite 2710 Albuquerque, NM 87131.

MIRTAC Members Present:

Daniel Gonzales

Lynnette Trujillo

Amanda Eshom

Victor Garnand

Melissa Ham

Evelyn Vasquez

Chandra Gerrard

James Mayer

Also present at December 20, 2019 MIRTAC meeting:

Stacy Askham

Jo Jo Valdez

Alison Kleven

Christine Lung

Rebecca Blankley

Becky Apodaca

Meghan Clair

Melissa Ortega

Nina Chavez

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Patrick Nye

Tammy McSperitt

Stephen Sanchez

Item 1: Jim Mayer motioned to approve the December 20, 2019 agenda as distributed.

Amanda Eshom seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 2: Evelyn Vasquez motioned to correct the attendance of the December 14, 2018 minutes. The following members were present: Evelyn Vasquez and Melissa Ham. Lynette Trujillo was not present but listed as she was. Chandra Gerrard motioned to approve these changes.

Victor Garnand seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 3: Chandra Gerrard motioned to add CT licensure to the state rules to include any ARRT primary or NMTCB or CNMT with the (ARRT) (CT) or (NMTCB) (CT) being required for a CT license.

Evelyn Vasquez seconded the motion.

Motion opposed by Amanda Eshom, Lynette Trujillo, Victor Garnand, and James Mayer Motion failed.

Item 4: Chandra Gerrard motioned to add CT licensure to the state rules to require certification in (ARRT) (CT) to obtain a CT license.

Melissa Ham seconded this motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 5: Lynette Trujillo motioned to add ASRT and SNMMI scope of practice for CT.

Melissa Ham seconded motion.

The motioned passes unanimously.

Item 6: James Mayer motioned to remove the lettering, letter 1, under 20.3.20.322, provisional licenses, letter A, sub number 1, remove "is currently licensed by the department."

Melissa Ham seconded motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Item 7: Amanda Eshom motioned to adjourn.

Melissa Ham seconded motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

An appointment was made for Amanda Eshom, Melissa Ham, and Tammy McSperitt to report their recommendations for ARD, recommendations for provisional license for sonography at the next MIRTAC meeting, 2020.

(Proceedings adjourned at 11:50AM)

Credentialing Body	Credential obtained	How many procedure categories must be fulfilled	Total number of repetitions	Primary certification required before exam?	Max number of years to complete repetitions prior to sitting for exam	Types of scanners used for competencies	Hours of other classes/educational material required before applying for exam	Number of questions in exam
American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT)	R.T. (ARRT)(CT)	25 of 59 available	125	Yes	2 years	Diagnostic CT scanners only	16	185
Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board (NMTCB)	(NMTCB)(CT)	10 of 53 available	50	Yes	3 years	Diagnostic CT scanner PET/CT scanner SPECT scanner	35	200

STATE OF NEW MEXICO BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 20.3.20 NMAC

No. EIB 21-56

Radiation Control Bureau, Environmental Protection Division of the New Mexico Environment Department,

Petitioner.

ORDER AND STATEMENT OF REASONS

This matter comes before the New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board ("Board") upon a petition filed by the Radiation Control Bureau ("Bureau") of the Environmental Protection Division ("Division") of the New Mexico Environment Department ("Department") on October 26, 2021, to amend 20.3.20 NMAC. A public hearing was held on March 25, 2022, with a quorum of the Board present during the hearing. The public hearing was held via internet (Zoom) and via telephone due to the concerns surrounding the Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") and in accordance with Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham's Declaration of a Public Health Emergency in Executive Order 2020-004, and subsequent executive orders; various Public Health Emergency Orders limiting mass gatherings due to COVID-19; and the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Division's Guidance to Public Entities Regarding the Open Meetings Act and Inspection of Public Records Act Compliance During COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Board heard technical testimony from the Department and admitted exhibits into the record. On March 25, 2022, the Board deliberated and voted to amend the regulations for the reasons that follow:

EIB No. 21-56 Order and Statement of Reasons Page 1 of 5

STATEMENT OF REASONS

- 1. Pursuant to 20.1.1.300(A) NMAC, any person may petition the Board to adopt, amend, or repeal any regulation within the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. On October 26, 2021, the Bureau filed a petition with the Board for a public hearing in this matter. On November 19, 2021, at a meeting conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and other applicable requirements, the Board granted the Bureau's request for a hearing and scheduled the hearing for March 25, 2022 and continuing thereafter as necessary.
- 3. Public notice of the hearing was published in English and Spanish in two publications: the Albuquerque Journal and the New Mexico Register (**NMED Exhibits 7-10**), on December 26, 2021 and December 28, 2021. The notice stated that the Board may make a decision on the proposed regulations at the conclusion of the hearing or may convene at a later date to consider action on the proposal.
- 4. Public notice requirements in compliance with NMSA 1978, Section 14-4-5.2 (2017), as incorporated into the Board's rulemaking regulations in 20.1.1.300(A) NMAC and 20.1.1.7(N) NMAC, were met (NMED Exhibits 11-17).
- 5. As required by NMSA 1978, Section 14-4A-4 (2005), the public notice was provided to the Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission via email on December 9, 2021 (NMED Exhibit 18). On December 14, 2021, the Small Business Regulatory Advisory Commission informed the Department that the proposed amendments will not pose a hardship to small businesses. (NMED Exhibit 19).
- 6. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 61-14E-5 (2009), the proposed amendments were provided to the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Advisory Council ("MIRTAC")

- at its December 20, 2019 meeting. The MIRTAC approved of the proposed amendments. (NMED Exhibit 20).
- 7. NMED filed a Notice of Intent to Present Technical Testimony ("NOI") on March 4, 2022, in accordance with 20.1.1.302 NMAC.
- 8. A hearing in this matter was held via internet (Zoom) and telephone at which a reasonable opportunity for all persons to be heard was provided.
- 9. The New Mexico Environment Department ("Department") Radiation Control Bureau ("Bureau") requires a medical imaging license for persons operating medical equipment emitting ionizing and non-ionizing radiation pursuant to the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Health and Safety Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 61-14E-1 to -12 (1983, as amended through 2020) ("Act") and its corresponding regulations, 20.3.20 NMAC.
- 10. The purpose of the Act is to maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from ionizing and non-ionizing radiation in the practice of medical imaging. The Act establishes requirements for appropriate education and training of persons operating medical equipment emitting ionizing and non-ionizing radiation, establishes standards of education and training for the persons who administer medical imaging and radiation therapy procedures, and provides the appropriate examination and licensure to those persons. NMSA 1978, §61-14E-2 (2009).
- 11. The administration and enforcement of the Act and corresponding regulations is vested in the Department. NMSA 1978, § 61-14E-6. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-7(A)(12) (2000), the Department has the authority to develop and enforce rules and standards for medical radiation, health and safety certification and standards for radiologic technologists.

- 12. The Bureau proposes several amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC, the most notable amendment being the addition of a Computed Tomography (CT) license. The addition of a CT license will maximize the protection practicable for the citizens of New Mexico from ionizing radiation in the practice of CT imaging by establishing requirements for appropriate education and training of these individuals operating CT medical equipment.
- 13. Other amendments include clarifying the requirements and scope of practice for the Provisional License, which is a license for individuals who are on a pathway to becoming registered and certified in the diagnostic imaging modality they are pursuing. The Bureau would also like to take this opportunity to clarify existing requirements and fix minor and typographical errors.
- 14. The Board has the authority to adopt and promulgate radiation control rules, regulations, and licensure standards pursuant to Section 61-14E-5 and NMSA 1978, Section 74-1-8(A)(12) (2020).
- 15. In considering the proposed amendments, the Board is required, by Section 74-1-9, to give the weight it deems appropriate to all facts and circumstances, including but not limited to (1) character and degree of injury to or interference with health, welfare, animal and plant life, property, and the environment; (2) the public interest, including the social, economic, and cultural value of the regulated activity and the social, economic, and cultural effects of environmental degradation; and (3) technical practicability, necessity for and economic reasonableness of reducing, eliminating or otherwise taking action with respect to environmental degradation.
- 16. The Board considered all facts and circumstances and concluded that the proposed amendments do not cause injury to or interfere with health, welfare, animal, and plant life,

property, and the environment. The Board found the proposed revisions to be technically

practical, economically reasonable, and in the public interest. The Board concludes that the

factors specified by Section 74-1-9 all weigh in favor of adopting the proposed revisions.

17. The notice and hearing requirements of Section 14-4-5.2, Section 74-1-9, Section 14-4A-

4, and 20.1.1 NMAC were satisfied in this rulemaking process.

18. The Board hereby approves of the proposed amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC as they are

written in NMED Exhibit 1, for the reasons stated above.

ORDER

By vote of a quorum of the Board members, the proposed adoption of the

amendments to 20.3.20 NMAC, as contained in NMED Exhibit 1 of the Department's March 4,

2022, Notice of Intent to Present Technical Testimony, were approved by the Board on

, 2022. Annotations to 20.3.20 NMAC, with any appropriate corrections of

typographical errors or formatting, shall be filed with the New Mexico State Records Center as

expeditiously as possible by the Department.

SIGNED this day of March 2022.

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