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APPLICATION TO PRACTICE AS A RADIOLOGIST ASSISTANT

(Please print or type-complete all 4 pages)

NAME OF RADIOLOGIST ASSISTANT: _____

Mailing Address: _____

THE ABOVE NAMED RADIOLOGIST ASSISTANT WILL BEGIN PRACTICE UNDER MY SUPERVISION ON ____/____/____. (NOTE: PRACTICE CANNOT BEGIN UNTIL RECEIPT OF BOARD APPROVAL) WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION.

AS A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HEALTH CARE SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR RA. YOU ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING PROPER SUPERVISION OF YOUR RA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RADIOLOGIST ASSISTANT LICENSURE ACT AND REGULATIONS. YOU MUST GIVE PROMPT NOTICE TO THE BOARD AT THE TIME YOUR SUPERVISORY RELATIONSHIP ENDS. DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOUR MEDICAL LICENSE FOR FAILURE TO PROPERLY SUPERVISE YOUR RADIOLOGIST ASSISTANT.

NAME OF SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN: _____

Physician's Primary Practice Location: _____

Street

_____(____)_____
City State Zip Code Telephone Number

MD/DO _____ License Number: _____

Current certification through:

- ____ American Board of Radiology or
- ____ American Osteopathic Board of Radiology

Radiologist Assistant Practice Setting (i.e. hospital, clinic, etc.) and address:

Facility Street

_____(____)_____
City State Zip Code Telephone Number

Additional Practice Locations: _____

Please indicate which functions the Radiologist Assistant may perform:

The following health care services **are allowed under general supervision**. A radiologist assistant may perform the following health care services under general supervision at the direction of the supervising radiologist. Such services are limited to the following, except as provided in (c) and (d) of this subsection:

- Review the patient's medical record to verify the appropriateness of a specific exam or procedure.
- Interview patient to obtain, verify, or update medical history.
- Explain procedure to patient, significant others, and/or other health care providers including a description of risks, benefits, alternatives, and follow-up.
- Determine patient compliance, if needed, with pre-examination/procedure preparations (diet, medications).
- Assess risk factors that may effect the examination/procedure (medications, pregnancy, pre-existing diseases, etc).
- Obtain and evaluate vital signs.
- Perform history and physical examination with assessment of related laboratory results.
- Evaluate electrocardiograms for the purpose of recognizing abnormalities that might impact the procedure/examination.
- Perform urinary catheterization .
- Perform venipuncture for phlebotomy or IV access.
- Monitor IV for flow rate and complications.
- Position and physically prepare patient for a procedure.
- Observe and assess patients during conscious sedation.
- Recognize and respond to medical emergencies (e.g., drug reactions, cardiac arrest, hypoglycemia), activate emergency response systems, and notify appropriate personnel.
- Administer oxygen as required.
- Operate a fluoroscopic unit and document fluoroscopy time.
- Administer contrast media, radioactive materials, or other medication as directed by the supervising radiologist and monitor for any adverse effects.
- Evaluate images for diagnostic quality and report clinical observations to the radiologist.
- Communicate the radiologist's report to the referring physician consistent with American College of Radiology guidelines.
- Provide physician prescribed post-examination/procedure instruction to the patient.
- Perform follow-up patient evaluation and communicate findings to the radiologist
- Document the appropriate records for review and co-signature by the supervising radiologist.
- Assist with data collection and review for clinical trials or other research.

The following health care services **are allowed under direct supervision**. A radiologist assistant may perform the following health care services under direct supervision at the direction of the supervising radiologist. Such services are limited to the following, except as provided in (c) and (d) of this subsection:

- _____ Upper GI, esophagram, small bowel follow-through
- _____ Small bowel enteroclysis
- _____ Barium enema
- _____ Cystogram, nephrostogram via existing catheter, loopogram, and retrograde cystourethrogram
- _____ Fistulogram/sinogram
- _____ Swallowing study
- _____ Cholangiogram through existing catheter
- _____ Lumbar puncture under fluoroscopic guidance
- _____ Cervical, thoracic and/or lumbar myelogram via lumbar puncture
- _____ Imaging for hysterosalpingography
- _____ Arthrogram and joint aspiration
- _____ Paracentesis and thoracentesis with appropriate image guidance
- _____ Vascular access
 - _____ Central line placement
 - _____ Tunneled central line placement and removal
 - _____ Dialysis access catheter management
 - _____ Port access and injection
 - _____ Lower and upper extremity venography
 - _____ PICC placement
- _____ Nasoenteric and oroenteric feeding tube placement/manipulation

A radiologist assistant may perform the following procedures under direct supervision after documentation of ten cases with satisfactory outcomes and demonstrated competency performed under the **personal supervision** of the supervising radiologist who must have a full and unrestricted license in the state of Oklahoma:

- (A) Implantation of infusion ports
- (B) Explantation of infusion ports
- (C) Ultrasound guided random liver biopsy

Other procedures not listed in this subsection may be approved to be performed by the Radiologist Assistant under the direct supervision of the supervising radiologist after review by the Committee for demonstrated competency and approval by the Board.

Definitions of Levels of Supervision:

"**Direct Supervision**" means the radiologist must be present in the office suite and immediately available to furnish assistance and direction throughout the performance of the procedure. The radiologist is not required to be present in the room when the procedure is performed.

"**General Supervision**" means the procedure is furnished under the radiologist's overall direction and control, but the radiologist's presence is not required during the performance of the procedure.

"**Personal Supervision**" means the radiologist must be in attendance in the room during the performance of the procedure.

435:60-7-2. Supervision; physician responsibility; independent care prohibited

(a) The health care services performed by a radiologist assistant shall be done under the supervision of a radiologist who retains responsibility for patient care.

(b) A radiologist assistant must function only under the supervision of a licensed and board certified radiologist. Nothing in the Radiologist Assistant Act shall be construed to permit radiologist assistants to provide health care services independent of radiologist supervision. Radiologist supervision shall be conducted in accordance with the following standards:

(1) The supervising radiologist is responsible for the formulation or approval of all orders and protocols (whether standing orders, direct orders, or any other orders or protocols) that direct the delivery of health care services, and the supervising radiologist shall periodically review such orders and protocols.

(2) The supervising radiologist regularly reviews the health care services provided by the radiologist assistant and any problems or complications encountered.

(3) The radiologist assistant is an agent of the supervising radiologist and shall not be the employer of the supervising radiologist.

(4) The supervising radiologist is available physically or through direct telecommunications for consultation, assistance with medical emergencies or patient referral.

(5) The supervising radiologist routinely is present in the facility to provide radiologic services to patients.

Signature of Supervising Physician

Signature of Radiologist Assistant

Sworn to before me this date: _____

Notary Public

(SEAL)

Commission Number: _____

My commission expires: _____