

WAC 246-926-020 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "ARRT" means the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

(2) "Cardiovascular invasive specialist" means a person certified under chapter 18.84 RCW to assist in cardiac or vascular catheterization procedures.

(3) "Computed tomography" or "CT" means technology that uses computer-processed X-rays to produce tomographic images or virtual slices of specific areas of the patient's body or scanned object.

(4) "Department" means the department of health.

(5) "Direct supervision" means the appropriate licensed practitioner is on the premises and is quickly and easily available.

(a) For a diagnostic radiologic, therapeutic radiologic, or nuclear medicine technologist, the appropriate licensed practitioner is a physician licensed under chapter 18.71 or 18.57 RCW.

(b) For a radiologist assistant, the appropriate licensed practitioner is a radiologist.

(6) "General supervision" for a radiologist assistant means the procedure is furnished under the supervising radiologist's overall direction and control. The supervising radiologist must be on-call or be available for consultation.

(7) "Indirect supervision" means the supervising physician is on site no less than half-time.

(8) "Licensed practitioner" means a licensed health care practitioner performing the services within the person's authorized scope of practice.

(9) "NMTCB" means the nuclear medicine technology certification board.

(10) "Peripherally inserted central catheter" or "PICC line" means a form of intravenous access for administration of substances.

(11) "Personal supervision" means the supervising physician must be in the room during the performance of the procedure.

(a) For a cardiovascular invasive specialist, the supervising physician is a physician licensed under chapter 18.71 or 18.57 RCW.

(b) For a radiologist assistant, the supervising physician is a radiologist.

(12) "Radiologic technologist" means a person certified under chapter 18.84 RCW.

(13) "Radiologist" means a licensed physician licensed under chapter 18.71 or 18.57 RCW and certified by the American Board of Radiology or the American Osteopathic Board of Radiology.

(14) "Radiologist assistant" means an advanced-level diagnostic radiologic technologist certified under chapter 18.84 RCW.

(15) "Registered X-ray technician" means a person who is registered with the department, and who applies ionizing radiation at the direction of a licensed practitioner.

(16) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of health.

(17) "Venipuncture" means a procedure to puncture a vein to withdraw blood or to start intravenous infusion related to radiologic technology but does not include the insertion of PICC lines.

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