

DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

Division: MIDAMERICA

Classification: RADIATION SAFETY OFFICER (RSO)

Applicant Name:

Radiation Safety Officer:

The Radiation Safety Officer must have equivalent qualifications, competence and function in the same role as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility, as defined by facility job description.

Definition of Care or Service:

The Radiation Safety Officer examines radiologic equipment; observes activities around equipment, and have discussions of compliance and/or noncompliance issues in the facility. Scope of Service may include:

- Acting as client Radiation Safety Officer.
- Consultation regarding ALARA issues.
- Responsible for writing and maintaining documentation and protocols.
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include HCA Healthcare Code of Conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians.

Setting(s):

- Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, outpatient treatment facilities, imaging centers, and physician practices
- Imaging, Cardiac Cath Lab, Surgery, Nuclear Medicine, GI Lab, Pain Management.

Supervision:

• Direct supervision by Medical Physicist, Radiation Safety Officer, Radiation Safety Committee, and/or Imaging Director.

Evaluator: Imaging department director or designee.

Tier Level: 2

eSAF Access Required: NO

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or higher in applied physics (or related field)
- Training in (Can be found on skills checklist):
 - o Radiation protection principles
 - o Characteristics of ionizing radiation
 - Units of radiation dose and quantities
 - Radiation detection instrumentation
 - Biological hazards of exposure to radiation
 - Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulatory requirements and standards
 - Hands-on use of radioactive materials
 - Thorough understanding of applicable regulations pertaining to the clinical use of radiation and radiation safety.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Masters preferred
- Registered as Radiation Inspector preferred

NOTE: Where education may not be defined in qualifications area of the Scope, HCA Healthcare requires the highest level of education completed (not training or courses) confirmed on your background check.



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State Requirements:

N/A

Experience:

• A minimum of two years in a clinical setting or with a medical physics consulting group.

Competencies:

The Radiation Safety Officer will demonstrate:

- Knowledgeable of the hazards that radiologic equipment present to the patient, themselves, and other healthcare personnel
- Trained in the use of preventative measures for hazards associated with the use of radiologic equipment
- Infection Prevention
 - Practices consistent hand hygiene
 - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE) when required
 - o Required immunizations per Division requirements
 - Complies with Isolation precautions
 - Maintains sterile field

References:

Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) Qualifications http://hps.org/publicinformation/ate/faqs/rso.html

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Your signature confirms you will be able to comply with the Qualifications and Competencies listed within this Scope of Service and that you will confirm education via your background check.

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Applicant Printed Name:		
Signature:	 	
Date:		