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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I am opposed to the recommendation listed under Issue 3 to abolish the Limited Medical Radiologic Technologist (LMRT) Certification. According to American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) limited x-ray machine operator's curriculum, "the knowledge and cognitive skills underlying the intelligent performance must be equivalent to that of the general radiographer." LMRT's have didactic and clinical training equivalent to a minimum of 1500 hours. LMRT programs also include 600 of clinical hours in the field with direct patient care. It is impossible for Non-Certified Technicians (NCT's) to have the level of training in 120 hours to provide a high level of quality care as it relates to accurate patient radiographic positioning, radiation safety, and patient protection. In addition, without a clinical training requirement or competency assessment, there are no quality controls in place to evaluate the level of clinical competency. This is really scary. The overall safety of the technician and the patient is compromised. Every patient deserves to have the most qualified and trained radiographers performing diagnostic radiographic examinations."

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Keep the LMRT certification for the safety of the general public.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree