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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

Please do not remove the certification of Radiologic Technologists in the state of Texas. In the mid 1990's, prior to the current standards I witnessed terrible negligence in areas where ARRT registered technologists were not employed. This was typically in physician offices where someone in the office was "trained up" to shoot x-rays. It may be the nursing assistant or the front desk person. The exposure levels were outrageous! Using the wrong size film and exposing the entire film without columnating to only the necessary body part, or they were so over exposed, (dark) it would be difficult to interpret, or worse yet it was so underexposed that it would have to be repeated multiple times again over exposing the patient. Without the correct columnating and exposure levels, misdiagnosis' occur.

All patients deserve the highest quality patient care available, especially when it comes to radiation exposure! This means we should keep the current certification process. It is a disservice to consider the removal of educated and registered technologists and allow just anyone to take radiographs again.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Please keep the radiologic technologist certification program!

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree