WAC 246-926-110 Diagnostic radiologic technologist—Alternative training. An individual shall have the following alternative training qualifications to be certified as a diagnostic radiologic technologist:

(1) Have obtained a high school diploma or GED equivalent, a minimum of three clinical years supervised practice experience in radiography, and completed the course content areas outlined in subsection (2) of this section; or have obtained an associate or higher degree in an allied health care profession or meets the requirements for certification as a therapeutic radiologic technologist or nuclear medicine technologist, have obtained a minimum of two clinical years supervised practice experience in radiography, and completed course content areas outlined in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) The following course content areas of training may be obtained directly by supervised clinical practice experience: Introduction to radiography, medical ethics and law, medical terminology, methods of patient care, radiographic procedures, radiographic film processing, evaluation of radiographs, radiographic pathology, introduction to quality assurance, and introduction to computer literacy. Clinical practice experience must be verified by the approved clinical evaluators.

The following course content areas of training must be obtained through formal education: Human anatomy and physiology - 100 contact hours; principles of radiographic exposure - 45 contact hours; imaging equipment - 40 contact hours; radiation physics, principles of radiation protection, and principles of radiation biology - 40 contact hours; and sectional anatomy - 33 contact hours.

(3) Individuals participating in the diagnostic radiologic technologist alternative training program must annually report to the department of health radiologic technologist program the progress of their supervised clinical hours. Notification must be made in writing and must include the street and mailing address of their program and the names of the individual's direct and indirect supervisors.

(4) Must pass an examination approved or administered by the secretary with a minimum scaled score of 75.

(5) Individuals who are registered as a diagnostic radiologic technologist with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists shall be considered to have met the alternative education and training requirements.

(6) Individuals educated and/or credentialed to practice as a diagnostic radiologic technologist in another country must provide official documentation of their education and training proving that they meet or exceed alternative training requirements. They must also pass an examination approved or administered by the secretary with a minimum scaled score of 75.

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