### Name of Non-employee Dependent Healthcare Practitioner (DHP):

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An RPA is a health care professional certified and registered in radiography to provide primary health care services in medical imaging under the guidance, supervision and discretion of a radiologist. **Scope of Service** may include:

- Provide a broad range of radiology health care services under the supervision of a radiologist.
- Obtain and record the patient’s history as required by the American College of Radiology (ACR).
- Perform specialized imaging procedures, including invasive procedures, after demonstrating competency and under the supervision of a radiologist.
  - Fluoroscopic procedures (static and dynamic)
    - Diaphragm Paralysis
    - N-G Tube placement
    - Nodules, Sinus & Fistula Tract Injections
  - Arthrograms (ankle, elbow, hip, knee, shoulder, talar and sub-talar, wrist).
  - GI Studies
    - Barium & Gastrografin Enemas
    - Esophagrams
    - Modified Barium Swallows
    - Small Bowel Series, including Enteroclysis studies
    - T-Tube Cholangiograms (post-op evaluations)
    - Upper GI studies
  - GU Studies
    - Cystograms
    - Loopograms
    - Nephrostagrams (post-op)
    - Retrograde Urethragrams
    - VCUG
  - Gyn Procedures
- Hysterosalpinography
  - PICC Line Insertion (see Competencies for specific requirements)
- Evaluate medical images, review preliminary reports and images with a supervising radiologist, and prepare technical reports that will be reviewed and signed off by the supervising radiologist.
- Maintain values congruent with the Code of Ethics, as well as adhering to national, institutional and/or departmental standards, policies and procedures regarding the standards of care for patients.
- Demonstrate Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include HCA code of conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians

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**Evaluator:** Privileged Radiologist with input from Radiology Director and/or Radiation Safety Officer.

### Qualifications:
The RPA must fall under one of the following categories:

- Graduate of an accredited radiology technology program and certified or seeking certification as a radiology technologist by the American Registry of Radiology Technologists (ARRT); **OR**
- Documented experience of at least 400 hours of hands-on training by another experienced radiology technologist and/or Radiologist for the radiology technologist position. Provide documentation of training. Certified or seeking certification by the Certification or seeking certification by the ARRT within two years; **OR**
- Minimum of three years of experience as a radiology technologist and certified as a RT by the ARRT.
- Completion of an educational program recognized by the Board of Directors of the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants (CBPRA) (i.e., Weber State University)
- Current certification as a RPA by the CBRPA or considered eligible for the CBRPA certification exam
- Maintenance of an active radiographer registration status
- Current certification in Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) skills
- Validation of participation in continuing education activities with a minimum of 24 hours of CE credits biennially (as evidenced through current RPA certification)
- Certificate of training in Fluoroscopic Radiation by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (RMAAPM)

### Experience:
Documented evidence of experience of at least 400 hours of hands-on training by another experienced radiology technologist and/or Radiologist for the radiology technologist position or minimum of three (3) years experience as a radiology technologist and certified as a radiology technologist.
Competencies:
The RPA will demonstrate:

- Provides a safe environment for patients
  - Uses at least two ways to identify patients before treating or performing a procedure
  - Labels all medications and solutions on and off the sterile field in perioperative and procedural setting.
  - Participates in the preprocedure process to verify the correct procedure, for the correct patient, at the correct site and involves the patient in the verification process

- Accurate patient information review
  - Plans treatment, localization and dose calculations
  - Complies with local, state and federal regulations
  - Maintains local documentation as source identification and description
  - Performs quarterly audits for sources in storage or use
  - Performs radiation surveys of all implants
  - Provides on-call support during implant duration
  - Performs exit surveys and inventory sources

- Infection Prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - Maintains current immunization for influenza
  - Complies with Isolation precautions

- PICC Line Insertions:
  - Certificate of attendance at a PICC line class
  - Proctoring of first two PICC line insertions by a supervising physician with appropriate HealthONE privileges
  - Proctoring of three PICC line insertions by hospital staff who have demonstrated competence in PICC line insertion
  - Ongoing evaluation (every two years at reappointment) – insertion of a minimum of 12 PICC lines in two years. If the requirement is not met, the RPA will be supervised for the first two cases.

References:

Certification Board of Radiology Practitioner Assistants (CBRPA), Scope of Practice, Position Description, Retrieved from http://www.cbrpa.org/

National Society of Radiology Practitioner Assistants

American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT)
Academy of Radiology Physician Extenders

A Guide to AHP Credentialing, Second Edition
Areas

- Cardiac Catheterization Lab
- Endoscopy Lab
- Operating Room
- Radiology Department
- ER (Emergency Department)
- Pharmacy
- Respiratory
- Nursing Station (specify i.e. ICU)
- Other: ____________________________

DHP Printed Name: ____________________________
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