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§30-23-4. Definitions.

As used in this article, the following words and terms have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(a) "ASPMA" means the American Society of Podiatric Medical Assistants.

(b) "ARMRIT" means the American Registry of Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists.

(c) "ARRT" means the American Registry of Radiologic Technologist.

(d) "Board" means the West Virginia Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technology Board of Examiners.

(e) "Business entity" means any firm, partnership, association, company, corporation, limited partnership, limited liability company or other entity providing medical imaging or radiation therapy technology.

(f) "Dental X-rays" means X-rays taken of the oral cavity with x-ray units designed for this specific performance.

(g) "JRCERT" means the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology.

(h) "JRCNMT" means the Joint Review Committee on Education Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology.

(i) "License" means a medical imaging and radiation therapy technology license issued under the provisions of this article.

(j) "Licensed practitioner" means a person licensed in West Virginia to practice medicine, chiropractic, podiatry, osteopathy or dentistry.

(k) "Licensee" means a person holding a license issued under the provisions of this article.

(l) "Magnetic Resonance Imaging or MRI" means the performance of medical imaging using radio waves, magnetic fields and a computer to produce images of the body tissues.

(m) "Medical Imaging" means the use of ionizing radiation, electromagnetic radiation, or radioactivity for evaluation of body tissue in order to diagnose injury and disease by means of image production.

(n) "NMTCB" means the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board.

(o) "Nuclear Medicine Technologist" means a person holding a nuclear medicine licenseJuly 2, 2025Page 1 of 3§30-23-4

issued under the provisions of this article.

(p) "Nuclear Medicine Technology" means the compounding, calibrating, dispensing and administrating of radio-pharmaceuticals, pharmaceuticals and radio-nuclides under the direction of an individual listed as an authorized user by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the production of images for diagnosis and/or treatment of various disorders.

(q) "Permittee" means any person holding a podiatric medical assistant permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this article.

(r) "PET/CT Technologist" means an individual recognized by the board as qualified to operate a PET/CT scanner.

(s) "PET/CT Technology" means the operation of a Positron Emission Tomography/Computerized Tomography scanner to view internal images of the body.

(t) "Podiatric medical assistant" means a person who has been issued a permit under the provisions of this article, to perform podiatric radiographs.

(u) "Podiatric radiographs" means radiographs confined to the foot and ankle performed on dedicated podiatric X-ray equipment.

(v) "Practice of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technology" means the practice of Radiologic Technology, Radiation Therapy, Nuclear Medicine Technology and Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technology.

(w) "Radiologic technologist" means a person, other than a licensed practitioner, who applies medical imaging or assists in the application of ionizing radiation to human beings for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes as prescribed by a licensed practitioner.

(x) "Radiologic technology" means the application of ionizing radiation or assisting in the application of medical imaging to human beings for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes as prescribed by a licensed practitioner.

(y) "Radiologist" means a licensed practitioner who has successfully completed a residency in the field of Radiology and specializes in the use of medical imaging for the diagnosis or treatment of disease.

(z) "Radiologist Assistant or RA" means an individual who is licensed under the rules of the West Virginia Board of Medicine and has completed specialized training from an accredited program in the profession and passed a written examination as recognized by the West Virginia Board of Medicine.

(aa) "Radiology resident" means a licensed practitioner who is in training to become a Radiologist and who uses medical imaging in the diagnosis or treatment of disease, under the supervision of a Radiologist.

(bb) "Supervision" means responsibility for and control of quality, safety and technical aspects in the application of medical imaging technology on human beings for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes.

(cc) "Technology" means Medical Imaging Technology or Radiation Therapy Technology.