

## PROPOSED RULEMAKING TO CREATE A PERMIT FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS TO PRACTICE FLUOROSCOPY

**RULE SUMMARY:** This rulemaking will establish a process, *beginning January 1, 2016*, for physician assistants to perform fluoroscopy, which is a continuous beam x-ray used to create images of internal structures, used for medical diagnosis. To start, a licensed PA will need to complete a course developed by the American Association of Physician Assistants and the American Society of Radiologic Technologists, and obtain a certificate upon passage of the course final exam. Next, the PA will need to apply to the Oregon Board of Medical imaging (OBMI) and pay a fee to take a fluoroscopy examination offered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Upon passing the ARRT exam, the PA must apply for a permit from OBMI, including a permit fee. The permit will enable the PA to practice fluoroscopy with either the supervising physician or a radiologic technologist in the fluoroscopy room at the same time. For 2-year permit renewal, a PA will need to complete six hours of continuing education per year, including three hours of fluoroscopy-related CEs and three hours of radiation use and safety.

**AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION:** Link to the authorizing Legislation, House Bill 2880, enacted in 2015:  
<https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2015R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB2880/Enrolled>

**DRAFT RULES:** Link to a copy of the actual draft rules, with new language underlined and deleted language crossed-out:

[OUTLINE OF FLUOROSCOPY PERMIT PROCESS:](#)

[NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING:](#)

[STATEMENT OF NEED AND FISCAL IMPACT:](#)

### How to Comment on Proposed Rule to Create PA-Fluoroscopy Permit

**DEADLINE:** The public may comment until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 9, 2015.

#### HOW TO COMMENT:

Comments will be accepted through any of the following methods:

- Email your comments to [ed.conlow@state.or.us](mailto:ed.conlow@state.or.us).
- Send your comments through regular mail to:  
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- Attend and comment at the **public hearing** on the proposed rules on Thursday, Oct. 8, at 4:00 p.m., in Room 445 at the Portland State Office Building, 800 NE Oregon Street, Portland OR.