

PROCESS TO OBTAIN A LIMITED FLUOROSCOPY PERMIT- RESTRICTED TO SUPERVISION ONLY

I am a licensed APRN in Oregon. What do I need to do to obtain my limited fluoroscopy permit-restricted to supervision only?

For an Oregon licensed Advanced Practice Registered Nurse to obtain the limited fluoroscopy permit-restricted to supervision only from the Oregon Board of Medical Imaging (OBMI) you must meet the following requirements:

- (1) Have the required didactic experience
- (2) Have the required clinical experience
- (3) Apply for and pass the ARRT fluoroscopy examination
- (4) Apply for and obtain the limited fluoroscopy permit-restricted to supervision only from the OBMI

More details on these steps are below.

How do I obtain the required didactic experience?

The requirements for the didactic experience are "[FOUND HERE](#)". This is referred to as the "Fluoroscopy Framework". To register for the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) Fluoroscopy Examination Preparation Course - "[GO HERE](#)".

You can obtain this didactic experience through the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) fluoroscopy examination preparation course, which you take through the AAPA. When you apply for the ARRT fluoroscopy examination, you will show proof of your successful completion of this course by submitting a copy of your passing score of the AAPA/ASRT Fluoroscopy Educational Framework post-test.

Alternatively, there is a waiver process for the AAPA education. If you already have met some or all of the required didactic experience requirements in the past, you can apply to the OBMI for approval of your experience to replace some or all of the AAPA education. You will be required to prove to the OBMI that your experience is equivalent to the AAPA educational component and meets the didactic requirements in the fluoroscopy framework in order to receive your waiver. Whatever didactic experience is not approved by the OBMI must be obtained through the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) fluoroscopy examination preparation course as described above.

How do I obtain the required clinical experience?

The requirements for the clinical experience are found in the fluoroscopy framework "[FOUND HERE](#)". To register for the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) Fluoroscopy Examination Preparation Course - "[GO HERE](#)".

You obtain your clinical experience under the supervision of an Oregon licensed physician or an Oregon licensed APRN with a limited fluoroscopy permit-restricted to supervision only from the OBMI. You must complete each of the clinical requirements in the fluoroscopy framework and have your supervisor sign off on each clinical component of the framework as you complete the component. You will submit an APRN device orientation checklist, clinical experience documentation (PART 4 of the Fluoroscopy Examination Application on the OBMI website www.oregon.gov/OBMI) and supervisor sign off as proof of your completion of the clinical component.

Alternatively, there is a waiver process. If you already have met some or all of the required clinical experience requirements in the past, you can apply to the OBMI for approval of your experience to replace some or all of the required clinical components in the framework. Whatever experience is not approved by the OBMI must be obtained through supervised clinical experience as described above. Along with the waiver, you will submit an APRN device orientation checklist and clinical experience documentation (PART 4 of the Fluoroscopy Examination Application on the OBMI website www.oregon.gov/OBMI) as proof and part of your completion of the clinical component requirement.

How do I apply for a waiver for my didactic and clinical experience?

If you already have met some or all of the required didactic or clinical experience requirements in the past, you can apply to OBMI for approval of your experience to replace some or all of the required didactic and clinical components in the framework. Whatever experience is not approved by the OBMI must be obtained through successfully passing the didactic requirements and the supervised clinical experience as described in the "fluoroscopy framework". To apply for the waiver, you must provide the Board with documentation that your experience meets or exceeds the quality and quantity of the required experience in the "fluoroscopy framework". Documents must be submitted to the OBMI office 2 weeks prior to the scheduled Quarterly Board meetings. Original documents will be required in order to be used for the waiver approval process. Dates for Quarterly Board meetings are found on our website www.oregon.gov/OBMI. Please note that waivers are not expedited and could delay your application to sit for the ARRT Fluoroscopy exam.

How do I apply for and take the ARRT fluoroscopy examination?

You have one year to take and pass the ARRT fluoroscopy examination from the date you pass the AAPA/ASRT Fluoroscopy Educational Framework post-test or being issued an OBMI approved waiver of the didactic and clinical requirements.

Within that year, you submit an Examination Application form and an APRN device orientation checklist and any other documentation related to your didactic and clinical experience to the OBMI showing proof that you have obtained the required didactic and clinical experience. You will need to pay the OBMI a non-refundable \$20 fee and the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) current examination fee. The total fees are found on the Application for Fluoroscopy Exam link on our website www.oregon.gov/OBMI. Fees are payable by check or money order, payable to O.B.M.I. Once approved by the OBMI, ARRT will assign you a 90-day examination window. The ARRT will also provide you with an examination handbook, explanation of the examination scheduling process, and the examination content specifications.

You must take the ARRT exam within the 90-day examination window or you will have to start the examination application process over.

What if I fail the ARRT fluoroscopy examination?

You can fail the ARRT Fluoroscopy Examination two times within the one-year window. You may retake the exam should you fail by submitting a new Fluoroscopy Examination Application and by paying the non-refundable \$20 processing fee and the current ARRT examination fee each time you take the exam. The total fees are found on the Application for Fluoroscopy Exam link on our website www.oregon.gov/OBMI. Fees are payable by check or money order, payable to O.B.M.I.

If you fail the ARRT fluoroscopy examination three times in the one-year window or the one-year window has elapsed and you do not have a passing score on the examination, you will be required to retake and complete the didactic and clinical experience requirements again. If you previously applied to have your prior didactic or clinical experience approved as a waiver in lieu of the AAPA course or supervised experience requirements, you will need to apply again for that approval. You may be asked to supply additional evidence to prove your didactic and supervised clinical experience is equivalent to the AAPA fluoroscopy framework. You must also submit to the Board a new Fluoroscopy Exam Application form, along with the required, non-refundable \$20 processing and current ARRT examination fee found on the Application for Fluoroscopy Exam link on our website www.oregon.gov/OBMI. Fees are payable by check or money order, payable to O.B.M.I.

Once I pass the ARRT fluoroscopy examination, how do I apply for the APRN limited fluoroscopy permit-restricted to supervision only?

Once you have passed the ARRT fluoroscopy examination, you will submit an application form to the OBMI for the permit itself. The Permit Application will include: proof that you have passed the ARRT examination, a copy of your current APRN license issued by the Oregon State Board of Nursing and the OBMI non-refundable permit fees as calculated on our online fee calculator. Fees are payable by check or money order, payable to O.B.M.I. The Oregon Board of Medical

Imaging will perform a criminal background check but you are NOT required to submit fingerprints for the background check.

I received my limited fluoroscopy permit-restricted to supervision only, now what?

With an active permit, an advanced practice registered nurse may supervise the practice of fluoroscopy by OBMI licensees but may not themselves operate fluoroscopic devices.