

641—42.32(136C) Standards for formal education for X-ray equipment operators in podiatric radiography.

42.32(1) The following are the minimum standards:

a. A principal instructor shall:

(1) Be an Iowa-licensed podiatrist; or

(2) Be an Iowa-permitted general radiologic technologist and have at least two years of current experience in radiography; or

(3) Hold a current ARRT registration and have at least two years of current experience in radiography if the clinical site is located outside of Iowa.

b. A clinical instructor shall:

(1) Be an Iowa-licensed podiatrist; or

(2) Be an Iowa-permitted limited radiologic technologist in the category of extremities and have at least two years of current experience in radiography; or

(3) Be an Iowa-permitted X-ray equipment operator in podiatry and have at least two years of current experience in radiography; or

(4) Be an Iowa-permitted general radiologic technologist and have at last two years of current experience in radiography; or

(5) Hold a current ARRT registration and have at least two years of current experience in radiography if the clinical site is located outside of Iowa.

c. Clinical instructors shall be supervised by the principal instructor.

d. A principal instructor may also act as clinical instructor, if applicable.

e. The following are classroom and clinical standards:

(1) A minimum of 8.0 hours of classroom instruction to include radiation safety, equipment operation, patient care, and anatomy.

(2) Clinical instruction to include positioning and a minimum of 20 projections excluding the competency projections.

(3) Clinical competency projections shall include 10 projections with only 2 of any single projection allowed to count toward the competency projections.

(4) All competency testing shall be directly supervised by the principal or clinical instructor.

(5) Clinical instructors shall directly supervise all students before the student's competency for the specific projection is documented and indirectly supervise after the student's competency for the specific projection is documented.

42.32(2) Department approval is required before implementing any formal education or making any changes to a formal education offering.

42.32(3) Administrative items for all formal education:

a. The department reserves the right to audit or evaluate any aspect of the formal education or student progress.

b. The department may at any time require further documentation.

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