



Fluoroscopy training

For those operating fluoroscopy equipment on a living human, Part 2, 2.6.1.5 of the Colorado Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Radiation Control states "each healing arts facility shall make a written determination that any individual who either supervises a fluoroscopy procedure or operates a fluoroscopy imaging system has adequate training in its safe operation, including documented training in the following:

1. Fundamental principles of radiation protection;
2. Biological effects of ionizing radiation;
3. Safe operation of fluoroscopy equipment for each mode of operation to be used;
4. Dose reduction techniques for fluoroscopy; and
5. Applicable radiation regulations."

Resources for fluoroscopy training:

"RMAAPM Fluoroscopy Training Program" is available at <http://chapter.aapm.org/rockymtn/ftm/> . Implementing this program will allow facilities to comply with state regulation 2.6.1.5, requiring facilities to allow only "adequately trained" personnel to operate or supervise the operation of fluoro equipment in Colorado. The program includes a testing feature that can be used to prove the trainee has not only viewed the training material, but also has grasped the most important learning points. A certificate can then be downloaded by the trainee that can be submitted to facilities as documentation.

Instructions and Registration - Register online to receive a password. Once registered, follow the instructions as outlined on the website. If you have any difficulty accessing the website listed above, please email ColoradoFluoroTraining@gmail.com .

"Radiation Management in Medical Fluoroscopy" by Louis K. Wagner, Ph.D. and Benjamin R. Archer, Ph.D., www.rmpartnership.com/ .