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To amend sections 4773.10, 4774.08, and 4774.10 and 1
to enact sections 4723.37, 4773.062, and 2
4774.101 of the Revised Code regarding physician 3
supervision of contrast administration for 4
imaging. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 4773.10, 4774.08, and 4774.10 be 6
amended and sections 4723.37, 4773.062, and 4774.101 of the 7
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 8

Sec. 4723.37. (A) A registered nurse may administer 9
contrast only if both of the following apply: 10

(1) The registered nurse has received training and meets 11
competency guidelines for administering contrast set by the 12
institution at which the registered nurse practices, including 13
recognizing, evaluating, diagnosing, and differentiating 14
reactions to contrast material or other adverse events resulting 15
from contrast administration. 16

(2) The registered nurse administers contrast under the 17
direct or general supervision of a physician. 18

For purposes of this section, both of the following apply 19
to a physician's supervision: 20

(a) Direct supervision does not require the supervising 21
physician to observe the administration of contrast, but does 22
require the supervising physician to be present at the location 23
where contrast is administered. 24

(b) General supervision does not require the supervising 25
physician to observe the administration of contrast or to be 26
present at the location where contrast is administered, but does 27
require the supervising physician to be readily available for 28
purposes of consulting with and directing the nurse while 29
administering contrast. 30

(B) If a physician provides general supervision of a 31
registered nurse under this section, then a health care provider 32
that the physician and institution's clinical leadership have 33
determined meets the following qualifications shall be present 34
at the location where the nurse administers contrast, in order 35
to assist the nurse in the event of a reaction to contrast 36
material or other adverse event resulting from contrast 37
administration: 38

(1) The provider received training and meets competency 39
guidelines set by the institution for recognizing, evaluating, 40
diagnosing, and differentiating reactions to contrast material 41
or other adverse events resulting from contrast administration. 42

(2) The provider is able to recognize when medical 43
intervention is required for an immediate, hypersensitive 44
reaction to contrast material or for a physiological adverse 45

event resulting from contrast administration. 46

(3) The provider is able to consult with the supervising 47
physician within an appropriate time frame. 48

(C) When engaging in or supervising contrast 49
administration or when assisting with a reaction to contrast 50
material or other adverse event resulting from contrast 51
administration, the registered nurse, physician, and qualified 52
health care provider shall do so in a manner that is consistent 53
with a definitive set of treatment guidelines approved by the 54
clinical leadership of the institution at which the registered 55
nurse, physician, and qualified health care provider practice. 56

Sec. 4773.062. (A) A radiographer, radiation therapy 57
technologist, or nuclear medicine technologist may administer 58
contrast only under the direct or general supervision of a 59
physician. 60

For purposes of this section, both of the following apply 61
to a physician's supervision: 62

(1) Direct supervision does not require the supervising 63
physician to observe the administration of contrast, but does 64
require the supervising physician to be present at the location 65
where contrast is administered. 66

(2) General supervision does not require the supervising 67
physician to observe the administration of contrast or to be 68
present at the location where contrast is administered, but does 69
require the supervising physician to be readily available for 70
purposes of consulting with and directing the radiographer or 71
technologist while administering contrast. 72

(B) If a physician provides general supervision of a 73
radiographer, radiation therapy technologist, or nuclear 74

medicine technologist under this section, then a health care 75
provider that the physician and institution's clinical 76
leadership have determined meets the following qualifications 77
shall be present at the location where the radiographer or 78
technologist administers contrast, in order to assist the 79
radiographer or technologist in the event of a reaction to 80
contrast material or other adverse event resulting from contrast 81
administration: 82

(1) The provider received training and meets competency 83
guidelines set by the institution for recognizing, evaluating, 84
diagnosing, and differentiating reactions to contrast material 85
and other adverse events resulting from contrast administration. 86

(2) The provider is able to recognize when medical 87
intervention is required for an immediate, hypersensitive 88
reaction to contrast material or for a physiological adverse 89
event resulting from contrast administration. 90

(3) The provider is legally authorized to administer 91
prescription drugs and other interventions, either independently 92
or in accordance with a physician's standing order or 93
institutional protocol, to treat a reaction or event described 94
in division (B) (2) of this section. 95

(4) The provider is able to consult with the supervising 96
physician within an appropriate time frame. 97

(5) The provider is certified in basic life support by an 98
organization acceptable to the institution. 99

(6) The provider understands when to call for assistance 100
and how to activate emergency response systems. 101

(C) When engaging in or supervising contrast 102
administration or when assisting with a reaction to contrast 103

material or other adverse event resulting from contrast 104
administration, the radiographer, radiation therapy 105
technologist, nuclear medicine technologist, physician, and 106
qualified health care provider shall do so in a manner that is 107
consistent with a definitive set of treatment guidelines 108
approved by the clinical leadership of the institution at which 109
the radiographer, technologist, physician, and qualified health 110
care provider practice. 111

Sec. 4773.10. As used in this section, "clinical 112
leadership" includes an institution's medical director and 113
director of radiology. 114

~~When~~ Except as provided in section 4773.062 of the Revised 115
Code, when engaging in an activity pursuant to a license issued 116
under this chapter to practice as a radiographer or nuclear 117
medicine technologist, the radiographer or nuclear medicine 118
technologist shall do so in a manner that is consistent with a 119
definitive set of treatment guidelines approved by the clinical 120
leadership of the institution at which the radiographer or 121
technologist practices. 122

Sec. 4774.08. (A) A radiologist assistant shall practice 123
only under the supervision of a radiologist acting in accordance 124
with ~~section~~ sections 4774.10 and 4774.101 of the Revised Code. 125
Under this supervision and subject to division (B) of this 126
section, a radiologist assistant may do all of the following: 127

- (1) Perform fluoroscopic procedures; 128
- (2) Assess and evaluate the physiologic and psychological 129
responsiveness of patients undergoing radiologic procedures; 130
- (3) Evaluate image quality, make initial image 131
observations, and communicate observations to the supervising 132

radiologist;	133
(4) Administer contrast media, radio-isotopes, and other drugs prescribed by the supervising radiologist that are directly related to the radiologic procedures being performed;	134 135 136
(5) Perform any other radiologic procedures specified by the state medical board in rules adopted under section 4774.11 of the Revised Code.	137 138 139
(B) A radiologist assistant shall not do any of the following:	140 141
(1) Interpret radiologic images;	142
(2) Make diagnoses;	143
(3) Prescribe therapies;	144
(4) Administer or participate in the administration of general anesthesia, deep sedation, moderate sedation, or minimal sedation.	145 146 147
Sec. 4774.10. (A) To be eligible to supervise a radiologist assistant, a physician shall be actively and directly engaged in the clinical practice of medicine and surgery as a radiologist or actively and directly engaged in the clinical practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery as a radiologist.	148 149 150 151 152 153
(B) In providing supervision of a radiologist assistant, a supervising radiologist is subject to all of the following:	154 155
(1) Except as provided in divisions (B)(2) and (3) of this section <u>and section 4774.101 of the Revised Code</u> , the supervising radiologist shall provide on-site supervision of the radiologist assistant. The supervision shall be provided by	156 157 158 159

being physically present in the same location as the radiologist 160
assistant. The provision of on-site supervision does not 161
necessarily require that the supervising radiologist be in the 162
same room as the radiologist assistant. On-site supervision 163
shall be provided when the radiologist assistant performs a 164
radiologic procedure on a patient who is under minimal sedation. 165

(2) When the radiologist assistant performs a radiologic 166
procedure on a patient who is under general anesthesia, deep 167
sedation, or moderate sedation, the supervising radiologist 168
shall provide direct supervision. The supervision shall be 169
provided by being physically present in the same room as the 170
radiologist assistant, with the radiologist assistant in the 171
actual sight of the supervising radiologist when the radiologist 172
assistant is performing the radiologic procedure. 173

(3) In the case of any radiologic procedure that a 174
radiologist assistant is authorized to perform pursuant to 175
division (A) (5) of section 4774.08 of the Revised Code, the 176
supervising radiologist shall provide the level of supervision 177
specified by the state medical board in the rules adopted under 178
section 4774.11 of the Revised Code authorizing the performance 179
of the procedure. 180

(C) The supervising radiologist of a radiologist assistant 181
assumes legal liability for the services provided by the 182
radiologist assistant. 183

Sec. 4774.101. (A) When a radiologist assistant 184
administers contrast media as described in division (A) (4) of 185
section 4774.08 of the Revised Code, a supervising radiologist 186
shall provide on-site or remote supervision. 187

For purposes of this section, both of the following apply 188

to a radiologist's supervision: 189

(1) On-site supervision does not require the supervising radiologist to be in the same room as the radiologist assistant during the administration of contrast media, but does require the supervising radiologist to be physically present at the same location where contrast media is administered. 190
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(2) Remote supervision does not require the supervising radiologist to be physically present in the same room or location as the radiologist assistant during the administration of contrast media, but does require the supervising radiologist to be readily available for purposes of consulting with and directing the radiologist assistant while administering contrast media. 195
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(B) If a supervising radiologist provides remote supervision of a radiologist assistant, then a health care provider that the radiologist and institution's clinical leadership have determined meets the following qualifications shall be present at the same location where the radiologist assistant administers contrast media, in order to assist the radiologist assistant in the event of a reaction to contrast media or other adverse event resulting from contrast media administration: 202
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(1) The provider received training and meets competency guidelines set by the institution for recognizing, evaluating, diagnosing, and differentiating reactions to contrast media and other adverse events resulting from contrast media administration. 211
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(2) The provider is able to recognize when medical intervention is required for an immediate, hypersensitive 216
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reaction to contrast media or for a physiological adverse event 218
resulting from contrast media administration. 219

(3) The provider is legally authorized to administer 220
prescription drugs and other interventions, either independently 221
or in accordance with a radiologist's standing order or 222
institutional protocol, to treat a reaction or event described 223
in division (B) (2) of this section. 224

(4) The provider is able to consult with the supervising 225
radiologist within an appropriate time frame. 226

(5) The provider is certified in basic life support by an 227
organization acceptable to the institution. 228

(6) The provider understands when to call for assistance 229
and how to activate emergency response systems. 230

(C) When engaging in or supervising contrast media 231
administration or when assisting with a reaction to contrast 232
media or other adverse event resulting from contrast media 233
administration, the radiologist assistant, supervising 234
radiologist, and qualified health care provider shall do so in a 235
manner that is consistent with a definitive set of treatment 236
guidelines approved by the clinical leadership of the 237
institution at which the assistant, radiologist, and qualified 238
health care provider practice. 239

Section 2. That existing sections 4773.10, 4774.08, and 240
4774.10 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 241