# **INVASIVE CARDIOVASCULAR SERIES**

<u>Code</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Class Title</u>	Occ. Area	<u>Work</u> <u>Area</u>	<u>Prob.</u> <u>Period</u>	Effective Date	Last Action
4005	Invasive Cardiovascular Technologist	02	447	6 mo.	08/01/20	New
4006	Invasive Cardiovascular Specialist	02	447	6 mo.	08/01/20	New
4007	Invasive Cardiovascular Manager	03	447	6 mo.	08/01/20	New

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# Series Narrative

Employees in positions allocated to this series operate, monitor, and maintain specialized radiographic equipment and supplies to assist physicians in performing invasive and non-invasive procedures for diagnosis, treatment, and/or research studies. They perform a variety of technical patient care tasks while adhering to government, industry, or institutional regulatory guidelines.

# DESCRIPTION OF LEVELS OF WORK

# Level I: Invasive Cardiovascular Technologist

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Employees in positions at this level operate, monitor, and maintain specialized radiographic equipment and supplies to assist physicians in performing invasive and non-invasive procedures involving the acquisition and processing of diagnostic and non-radiographic images. The Invasive Cardiovascular Technologist assists with the preparation of the patient(s) and a sterile procedure environment. They also monitor patient safety and comfort as well as navigate and maintain patient records. They work under direct supervision of higher-level personnel.

A(n) Invasive Cardiovascular Technologist typically:

- 1. interprets physicians' orders; screens patient(s) prior to a procedure;
- 2. assists with patient and procedure room preparation; positions and adjusts equipment according to the specifications of the procedure; performs equipment safety checks prior to testing;
- 3. explains components of procedures to patient(s); observes and monitors patient(s); advises the physician of any abnormal indicators;
- 4. assists physicians in performing invasive and non-invasive procedures on patient(s) to produce optimal diagnostic images, under supervision; maintains sterile fields during procedures;

- 5. determines the best method of obtaining optimal diagnostic images; selects and modifies technical factors and adjusts technique, as necessary; uses protective devices and techniques to minimize radiation exposure;
- 6. positions and transfers patient(s) on/off the radiographic table; provides immobilization devices or stabilizers to obtain optimum results, as necessary;
- 7. administers contrast media and/or medications, under supervision; seals and labels blood samples acquired during procedures;
- 8. assists with post-procedure clean-up; maintains and cleans all equipment;
- 9. selects, monitors, and operates various specialized diagnostic equipment and software; reports equipment and/or software issues;
- **10.** reviews, labels, formats, and processes diagnostic images after capturing; ensures diagnostic images meet established standards.
- 11. utilizes health information systems to navigate patient records; inputs, retrieves, and maintains information in patient records; verifies accurate completion of patient records following procedures; utilizes procedure and supply codes and charges;
- 12. adheres to all government, industry, or institutional regulatory guidelines;
- 13. attends and participates in staff meetings; maintains continuing education requirements; documents completion of all training and in-services;
- **14.** performs administrative support duties such as answering phones, assisting with inventory and records management, scanning documents, scheduling, and stocking examination rooms;
- 15. performs other related duties as assigned.

# Level II: Invasive Cardiovascular Specialist

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Employees in positions at this level operate, monitor, and maintain specialized radiographic equipment and supplies to assist physicians in performing complex and specialized invasive and non-invasive procedures involving the acquisition, processing, and evaluation of diagnostic radiographic and non-radiographic images. The Invasive Cardiovascular Specialist regulates patient flow, ensures radiographic images are accurately processed, and maintains radiographic equipment and software. They work under general supervision of higher-level personnel.

A(n) Invasive Cardiovascular Specialist typically:

- 1. assists physician in performing specialized and complex invasive and non-invasive procedures; assists attending physicians, as directed;
- 2. consults with radiologists to determine contrast media and/or medication applications or variances in established procedures;
- 3. regulates patient flow; supervises procedures for quality control purposes;
- 4. evaluates, critiques, and processes diagnostic images; ensures diagnostic images were accurately processed and patient records are accurately updated following procedures;
- 5. inspects, maintains, and troubleshoots equipment and/or software; performs and documents routine advanced quality assurance and preventive maintenance; records equipment and/or software issues; initiates service calls;
- 6. verifies and processes physicians' orders and patient record requests; corresponds with providers, patients, and/or departments involving coordinating services, referrals, patient records, etc.;
- 7. assists with personnel functions such as training, supervising, evaluating performance, and/or developing staff, work schedules, and assignments;
- 8. assists in the development and implementation of policies, procedures, protocols, standards and initiatives;
- 9. generates and compiles data; monitors, generates, and maintains reports;
- 10. participates in the research of new techniques and technology relevant to the field;
- 11. performs duties of the lower level;
- 12. performs other related duties as assigned.

# Level III: Invasive Cardiovascular Manager

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Employees in positions at this level coordinate activities and programs within a division of a radiology department. A(n) Invasive Cardiovascular Manager responsibilities include program development, leadership of staff, and serving as a technical and administrative resource. They work under the supervision of a designated administrator(s).

A(n) Invasive Cardiovascular Manager typically –

1. coordinates all activities and programs within the division; maintains records for all activities and programs, as necessary; creates, reviews, and presents reports;

- 2. coordinates personnel functions such as interviewing, selecting, training, supervising, evaluating performance, and/or developing staff, work schedules, and assignments; organizes staff meetings; coordinates continuing education training and in-services for staff;
- 3. acts as a technical and administrative resource; represents the division on various committees;
- 4. ensures the division maintains compliance with government, industry, or institutional regulatory guidelines;
- 5. monitors, researches and distributes information regarding changes in regulatory guidelines, policies, protocols, requirements, etc.; maintains and updates protocol manuals.
- 6. regulates inventory management; coordinates and oversees purchasing of inventory; serves as main point of contact for suppliers which could include sales representatives and/or service providers;
- 7. prepares, reviews, and makes recommendations for bids and contractual services; assists in the preparation of budget estimates for the division;
- 8. organizes and oversees research into trends and developments in techniques and technology relevant to the field;
- 9. participates in the development and implementation of policies, procedures, protocols, standards, and initiatives;
- 10. performs duties of the lower levels;
- 11. performs other related duties as assigned.

# MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO:

# Level I: Invasive Cardiovascular Technologist

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### CREDENTIALS TO BE VERIFIED BY PLACEMENT OFFICER

- 1. Any one or combination totaling six (6) months from the categories below:
  - A. college course work or training from a vocational, technical, or an armed forces program, as measured by the following conversion table or its proportional equivalent:

- Current/valid registration and certification in Cardiac Interventional Radiography by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) equals six (6) months.
- Current/valid registration and certification as a Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist (RCIS) or Cardiac Electrophysiology Specialist (RCES) by Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI) equals six (6) months.
- B. work experience as a radiologic technologist performing cardiac procedures in a catheterization laboratory, electrophysiology (EP) laboratory, interventional (IR) laboratory, or a hybrid laboratory.
- 2. Current/valid registration and certification in Radiography by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT).
- 3. Current/valid accreditation as a Radiologic Technologist by the State of Illinois (IEMA).
- 4. Current/valid Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) certification.
- 5. Two (2) years (24 months) of work experience as a radiologic technologist.

# KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (KSAs)

- 1. Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer service.
- 2. Knowledge of health care administration procedures and systems including medical terminology, medical software, medical billing codes, and confidentiality laws (HIPAA).
- 3. Knowledge of a wide variety of diagnostic radiographic equipment and software and the applicable safety requirements.
- 4. Knowledge of radiology principles and practices including but not limited to techniques and procedures, human anatomy and physiology, occupational hazards, and safety measures.
- 5. Knowledge of relevant equipment, policies, procedures, and strategies to promote the safety and security of people, data, property, and institutions.
- 6. Ability to use full range of body motion to lift, push, pull, carry, or handle objects.
- 7. Ability to identify measures or indicators of system performance and the actions needed to improve or correct performance, relative to the goals of the system.

- 8. Ability to use logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions or approaches to problems.
- 9. Ability to exhibit strong organizational skills and maintain detailed, accurate records.
- 10. Ability to communicate effectively as appropriate for the needs of the audience.
- 11. Ability to interpret work related documents, policies, and procedures.

# Level II: Invasive Cardiovascular Specialist

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#### CREDENTIALS TO BE VERIFIED BY PLACEMENT OFFICER

- Current/valid registration and certification in Cardiac Interventional Radiography by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist (RCIS) <u>or</u> Registered Cardiac Electrophysiology Specialist (RCES) by Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI).
- 2. Current/valid accreditation as a Radiologic Technologist by the State of Illinois (IEMA).
- 3. Current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) certification.
- 4. **Two (2) years (24 months)** of work experience as a radiologic technologist performing cardiac procedures in a catheterization laboratory, electrophysiology (EP) laboratory, interventional laboratory and/or a hybrid laboratory.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (KSAs)

- 1. Knowledge of business and management principles involved in strategic planning, resource allocation, human resources modeling, leadership technique, production methods, and coordination of people and resources.
- 2. Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer service.
- 3. Knowledge of health care administration procedures and systems including medical terminology, medical software, medical billing codes, and confidentiality laws (HIPAA).
- 4. Knowledge of a wide variety of diagnostic radiographic equipment and software and the applicable safety requirements.
- 5. Knowledge of radiology principles and practices including but not limited to techniques and procedures, human anatomy and physiology, occupational hazards, and safety measures.

- 6. Knowledge of relevant equipment, policies, procedures, and strategies to promote the safety and security of people, data, property, and institutions.
- 7. Ability to use full range of body motion to lift, push, pull, carry, or handle objects.
- 8. Ability to identify measures or indicators of system performance and the actions needed to improve or correct performance, relative to the goals of the system.
- 9. Ability to use logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions or approaches to problems.
- 10. Ability to exhibit strong organizational skills and maintain detailed, accurate records.
- 11. Ability to communicate effectively as appropriate for the needs of the audience.
- 12. Ability to interpret work related documents, policies, and procedures.

# Level III: Invasive Cardiovascular Manager

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### CREDENTIALS TO BE VERIFIED BY PLACEMENT OFFICER

- Current/valid registration and certification in Cardiac Interventional Radiography by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist (RCIS) or Cardiac Electrophysiology Specialist (RCES) by Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI).
- 2. Current/valid accreditation as a Radiologic Technologist by the State of Illinois (IEMA).
- 3. Current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) certification.
- 4. **Five (5) years (60 months)** of work experience as a radiologic technologist performing cardiac procedures in a catheterization laboratory, electrophysiology (EP) laboratory, interventional laboratory and/or a hybrid laboratory.
- 5. **Two (2) years (24 months)** of supervisory or administrative work experience as a radiologic technologist in an invasive cardiovascular field.

# KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (KSAs)

1. Knowledge of business and management principles involved in strategic planning, resource allocation, human resources modeling, leadership technique, production methods, and coordination of people and resources.

- 2. Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer service.
- 3. Knowledge of health care administration procedures and systems including medical terminology, medical software, medical billing codes, and confidentiality laws (HIPAA).
- 4. Knowledge of a wide variety of diagnostic radiographic equipment and software and the applicable safety requirements.
- 5. Knowledge of radiology principles and practices including but not limited to techniques and procedures, human anatomy and physiology, occupational hazards, and safety measures.
- 6. Knowledge of relevant equipment, policies, procedures, and strategies to promote the safety and security of people, data, property, and institutions.
- 7. Ability to use full range of body motion to lift, push, pull, carry, or handle objects.
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- 10. Ability to exhibit strong organizational skills and maintain detailed, accurate records.
- 11. Ability to communicate effectively as appropriate for the needs of the audience.
- 12. Ability to interpret work related documents, policies, and procedures.