

THE EASTERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

POSITION DESCRIPTION

	1. JOB IIILE	 SANGRE GRANDE HOSPITAL ST. ANDREW/ST. DAVID NARIVA/MAYARO 		3. DEI ARTWENT
	RADIOGRAPHER I			RADIOLOGY
	4. ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIP The Radiographer I will report to the Radiographer		5. NATURE & SCOPE	
			The Radiographer I is responsible for taking medical	

The Radiographer I will report to the Radiographer II at the Sangre Grande Hospital and to the Primary Care Physician II within County St. Andrew/St. David and County Nariva/Mayaro.

2 DIVISION

The Radiographer I is responsible for taking medical images for diagnostic purposes. Work involves positioning and imaging patients for optimum diagnostic image quality and is performed generally in the Radiology department of a health institution. Work is reviewed by a professional superior through discussions

3 DEPARTMENT

6. SPECIFIC ACCOUNTABILITIES

The Radiographer I:

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- Dispenses radiation in keeping with the As Low As Reasonably Achievable (ALARA) principles.
- Dispenses radiation to patients as necessary by the nature of the examination to be done, in accordance with departmental imaging protocols.

and analysis of images taken.

- □ Ensures that radiographs and other images are produced to satisfy image quality requirements.
- Organizes the assigned work area, in accordance with departmental procedures, to promote quality care.
- Assists the Radiologists in special procedures and in preparing and administering contrast media for imaging purposes.
- □ Assists Surgeons and Clinicians in complex radiological studies in and out of the Operating Theatre.
- □ Maintains radiation safety and general safety of the patient while in the department.
- Adheres to departmental quality assurance and control protocols such as, but not limited to, recording of imaging identification, documentation of patient procedures and protocols and reject analysis.
- Counsels patients by explaining the nature of activity prior to positioning and imaging.
- Maintains proper care and use of equipment, reporting faults as they occur to the relevant supervisor and/or responsible department
- Assists with the replenishment of stocks necessary for the efficient running of the department.
- □ Conducts training with interns in the field of Radiology.
- Contributes to continuous departmental and professional progress through participation in organizational activities as well as the execution of annual continuous professional development activities.
- Maintains the professional code of conduct and code of ethics as regulated by the Radiographers Board of Trinidad and Tobago.
- Performs any other related work as required by the appropriate Authority.

7. KEY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- □ Knowledge of the principles, practices, methods and techniques employed in Diagnostic Radiography.
- □ Knowledge of anatomy (including cross-sectional anatomy) and physiology as it relates to diagnostic imaging.
- Clinical correlation skills.
- □ Knowledge in the area of radiation protection and safety.
- □ Knowledge of radiology equipment, instrumentation inclusive of general handling, safety precautions, general operator maintenance and associated potential occupational hazards.
- □ Knowledge of current professional standards of practice/best practice.
- □ Ability to operate radiologic equipment.
- □ Ability to position patients in order to obtain the quality medical images.
- Ability to administer contract media to patients as directed by a Radiologist.
- Ability to establish effective working relationships with patients and with other members of the multidisciplinary team.
- Ability to recognize critical symptoms in patients and within department and report promptly to

- minimize or avert problems.
- Ability to perform basic life support.

8. MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

- Training as evidenced by a Bachelor's Degree in Radiography, Medical Imaging or comparable discipline.
- Registration with the Council for Professions Related to Medicine of Trinidad and Tobago.
- □ First Aid/CPR Certificate.
- Certificate in Contrast Media Injection would be an asset.

9. SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Radiography Students
- On-the-Job-Trainees

10. COMMUNICATION AND WORKING RELATIONSHIP

Internal:

- Radiographer II
- Primary Care Physician II
- Manager-Para-Clinical Services
- Specialist Medical Office (Radiology) Head of Department
- Other radiology personnel
- Other members of the health care team
- Biomedical Department
- Materials Department

External:

- Clients
- □ Equipment Suppliers/Service Providers
- Training Institutions