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Bureau of Radiological Health (BRH)  
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IDPH INFORMATION NOTICE: 07-X03: Healing arts screening requirements

ADDRESSEES: Possessors of x-ray equipment operating in Iowa

DISCUSSION:

The Iowa Department of Public Health's BRH is issuing this information notice to remind facilities operating x-ray equipment of certain requirements for healing arts screening including calcium scoring.

41.2(3)a(7) states that no radiation exposure shall be made on any individual unless there is a previously established professional relationship between the doctor and the patient AND the doctor issues a written order for the exposure. Any exposure not meeting these requirements is classified as healing arts screening. 41.2(3)a(11) states that a healing arts screening program must have written approval of the BRH prior to conducting the program.

A healing arts screening program detects or evaluates a set of health indicators for which the individual is considered at high risk when such tests are not specifically and individually ordered by a licensed practitioner. Examples of healing arts screening programs are calcium scoring, lung scans, and bone density testing.

Please review the back of this notice, "Information to be submitted by persons proposing to conduct healing arts screening." Submit a written request for approval of any current healing arts screening conducted by your facility if you have not already submitted a request and received an approval letter.

Please note that conducting a screening program without agency approval may result in enforcement actions. If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Charlene Craig (515-281-0415).

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Melanie Rasmusson, Chief

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