

I wanted to circle back with you regarding the issue of the MIRT license types. As I shared with the OPLC Oversight Commission, we learned that there was an issue identified by OPLC about how the MIRT professions were being licensed. The board had been issuing only three license types, but the statute outlined ten professions that should be separately licensed.

I asked our hospital members about the implications of moving from three MIRT license types to ten individual license types. The unanimous message I heard back is that it would be a mistake to go with ten separate license types for MIRT professionals – the main reason is the fact that many individuals perform multiple modalities, thus would have to apply for and maintain several licenses. No one was in favor of removing any license types as they feel that licensing these individuals is an important way to ensure their educational background, competencies and public safety are upheld.

Therefore, I reviewed the current licensing statute, RSA 328-J, and crafted some suggested edits to bucket the ten professions into the three license types:

1. Limited X-Ray Machine Operator
2. Medical Imaging
  - a. Cardiac Electrophysiology Specialist
  - b. Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist
  - c. Computed Tomography
  - d. Magnetic Resonance Technologist
  - e. Radiographer
  - f. Radiologist Assistant
  - g. Sonographer
3. Radiation Therapy
  - a. Nuclear Medicine
  - b. Radiation Therapist