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Dear Sir/Madam

ETHICAL RULES OF CONDUCT FOR PRACTITIONERS REGISTERED IN TERMS OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT 56 OF 1974) - GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO R 717 OF 4 AUGUST 2006

Allow me to advise that the Professional Board for Radiography and Clinical Technology at a recent meeting noted the new Ethical Rules of conduct for practitioners registered in terms of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974) which were published in terms of Government Notice R 717 of 4 August 2006.

The Professional Board resolved that the generic ethical rules and relevant Annexures be provided to professional association/societies and educational institutions.

Please find attached a copy of the Generic Ethical Rules as well as Annexure 10 which relates to the specific profession you represent.

The information will also be provided to you in electronic format.

Yours faithfully
MRS A TALJAARD
PROFESSIONAL BOARD MANAGER

PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR RADIOGRAPHY AND CLINICAL TECHNOLOGY - RULES OF CONDUCT

ANNEXURE 10

In addition to the rules of conduct referred to in rules 2 to 27, a radiographer, assistant radiographer, radiation laboratory technologist, student in radiography, student radiation laboratory technologist, graduate clinical technologist or clinical technologist (registered prior to 1 April 2002), clinical technologist (registered after 31 March 2002), assistant clinical technologist, electroencephalography technician, student in clinical technology and student electro-encephalography technician shall also adhere to the following rules of conduct. Failure by such radiographer, assistant radiographer, radiation laboratory technologist, student in radiography, student radiation laboratory technologist, graduate clinical technologist or clinical technologist (registered prior to 1 April 2002), clinical technologist (registered after 31 March 2002), assistant clinical technologist, electroencephalography technician, student in clinical technology and student electro-encephalography technician to comply with the following rules of conduct listed herein shall constitute an act or omission in respect of which the board may take disciplinary steps in terms of Chapter IV of the Act.

Performance of professional acts by radiographer

1. A radiographer -
 - (a) shall only perform professional acts at the written request and

under the supervision of a practitioner approved by the board for such purpose: Provided that this prohibition shall not apply in respect of -

- (i) acts pertaining to the profession of radiography determined by the board for such purpose;
 - (ii) a radiographer who complies with the conditions set by the board in this regard and who in the opinion of such board is competent to perform professional acts without supervision at the written request of such practitioner;
 - (iii) a request from such practitioner which in the opinion of the radiographer was based on good and sufficient grounds: Provided that such a request was in writing and signed by the person making the request;
- (b) shall only consult in regard to any work performed by him or her in his or her profession with a practitioner approved by the board at whose instance such work was undertaken;
 - (c) shall not interpret radiographical investigations, report thereon or furnish information in regard to any work performed by him or her in his or her profession to any person other than a practitioner approved by the board at whose request such work was undertaken;
 - (d) shall not in his or her practice exceed the limits of the category or categories in which he or she is registered.