FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. When do the rules become effective?
A. November 14, 2021.

Q. What rules are affected?
A. 420-3-26-.02, Licensing, 420-3-26-.07, Use of Radionuclides in the Healing Arts, and 420-3-26-.15, Physical Protection of Category 1 and Category 2 Quantities of Radioactive Material.

Q. Why did the rules change?
A. To remain compatible with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Q. What are the main changes to 420-3-26-.02, Licensing?
A. Labeling requirements for licensees who manufacturer, prepare, or transfer for commercial distribution of radioactive drugs for medical use.

Requirements of licensees to report radiopharmaceutical generator elution tests that exceed permissible concentrations of molybdenum–99 breakthrough or strontium–82 or strontium–85 contamination.

Q. What are the main changes to 420-3-26-.07, Use of Radionuclides in the Healing Arts?
A. New definitions; Associate Radiation Safety Officer and Ophthalmic Physicist.

Requirements for the submission of training for Associate Radiation Safety Officer and Ophthalmic Physicist.

Requirements for appointing the Associate Radiation Safety Officer.

Clarify written directive requirements for the administrations of sodium I–131 and permanent implant brachytherapy.

Amend provisions for experienced personnel, including: radiation safety officers, medical physicists, authorized users, and nuclear pharmacists.

Additional language for: board certification, training of personnel to include; radiation safety officer, authorized user, authorized medical physicist and authorized nuclear pharmacist.

Q. What are the main changes to 420-3-26-.15, Physical Protection of Category 1 and Category 2 Quantities of Radioactive Material.
A. Requirements for Oath and Affirmation certification for reviewing officials.

Changes in names and contact information relating to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Requirements to protect from unauthorized access the list of individuals that have been provided unescorted access to Category 1 and Category 2 quantities of radioactive material.

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