

## **Purpose of Renewal of Certification**

The purpose of renewal of the CBRPA certification is to assure with the rapidly changing technological advances in medical imaging that the individual is maintaining current knowledge and skill levels appropriate for an advanced level technologist.

Advanced Cardiac Life Support certification is required by hospital credentialing committees to allow RPAs to do intravenous and intra-arterial injections.

Current *active* registration in Radiography is required because the RPA is an extension of the RT.

Certificants are required to complete twenty-four (24) continuing education credits every two years in areas relevant to their clinical practice in order to maintain current knowledge and skills.

## **Renewal of Registration/Certification**

Renewal of certification is required on an annual basis, according to the birth month of the certified Radiology Practitioner Assistant. Requirements for renewal are as follows.

1. Payment of the annual fee.
2. Evidence of current certification in Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) or Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS).
3. Evidence of current active registration in radiography.
4. Evidence of completion of 24 hours of continuing education every two years.

Certificants will be sent a renewal notice thirty (30) days prior to their birth month. Renewal is due the last day of the birth month. A thirty (30) grace period will extend until the end of the month following the birth month. At the end of the thirty (30) day grace period, the individual's certificate will be rescinded. The delinquent individual will have to retake the examination in order to recertify.

## REAPPLICATION POLICY

If a candidate has previously taken the examination, but failed to pass, the application remains on file for three (3) years from the date of the original application. If the candidate does not pass the examination within the three-year window, they must re-apply and meet the current eligibility requirements. Eligible candidates may repeat the examination by reactivating their eligibility by submitting an application to the CBRPA along with the current application fee.

The following policies apply when an examinee fails the examination :

- \* After the first failure, the candidate may apply to retake the examination at the following examination date.
- \* After a second failure, the candidate must document 5 hours of continuing education in **EACH** of the domain areas listed on the content specifications, for a total of 50 hours. The candidate may then go through the reapplication process outlined above.
- \* After a total of three (3) unsuccessful attempts to pass the exam, the candidate must successfully complete an recognized RPA educational program to become eligible to retake the examination.