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## INFORMATION NOTICE

- Date:** September 28, 2018
- To:** Limited Permit X-ray Technicians holding the X-ray Bone Densitometry (XBD) permit category.
- Subject:** New regulatory changes to the limited permit category of X-ray Bone Densitometry (XBD).

Beginning October 1, 2018, two new regulatory changes affecting the XBD limited permit category take effect:

1. The “XBD Permit” category will now be called the Dual Energy X-ray Absorptiometry (DEXA) Permit category.
2. The scope of the original XBD permit category now expands to include the measurement of total and regional whole body fat and lean tissue mass.

Dual Energy X-ray Absorptiometry (DEXA) is defined in regulation as a radiologic examination of all or part of the skeleton or body, utilizing X-rays from an X-ray source which is mechanically joined to a detector for scanning all or part of the skeleton or body under computer control, to measure bone density or total and regional whole body fat and lean tissue mass.

**Permit holders do not need to submit new information, documents, or request new permits.**

Wording changes to issued permits will occur during the renewal process. If you are currently in the renewal process, the wording changes will occur at your next renewal period even though this may occur in two years. Effective October 1, 2018, all application and renewal forms available on our website, including the certificate/permit search tool, will reflect the above changes. Forms with a publication date prior to October 1, 2018 will not be accepted after January 31, 2019, and will be returned to the applicant for resubmittal using the new form.

If you have any questions, please email your questions to: [rhblisc@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:rhblisc@cdph.ca.gov).

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