

Information Notice

Therapeutic Survey Physicist and Therapeutic Calibration Physicist

Effective October 1, 2020, California Code of Regulations, Title 17 (17 CCR), clarified the eligibility requirements and qualifications for individuals performing therapy machine calibrations and radiation protection surveys. The new requirements can be found in 17 CCR sections 30312, and 30313.07 through 30313.50.

Your current approval with the California Department of Public Health, Radiologic Health Branch (CDPH-RHB), to perform therapy machine calibrations only, radiation protection surveys only, or both therapy machine calibrations and radiation protection surveys, pursuant to 17 CCR, sections 30312(b)(4) and (5), is **only valid until October 1, 2023**. You must be approved as Therapeutic Calibration Physicist (TCP) or Therapeutic Survey Physicist (TSP) to comply with the new requirements.

A TCP is approved to perform both therapy machine calibrations and radiation protection surveys pursuant to 17 CCR sections 30312(b)(4) and (5). On the other hand, a TSP is approved to perform radiation protection surveys only pursuant to 17 CCR section 30312(b)(5).

If you were previously approved before October 1, 2020, by the CDPH-RHB to perform therapy machine calibrations only, or both therapy machine calibrations and radiation protection surveys, you may apply as a TCP from now until October 1, 2023, by completing and submitting an “Application for Renewal of Authorization as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or Therapeutic Calibration Physicist” (**CDPH 4256R**), the required supporting documents, and a fee of \$267.00. On the application form, check the category box Therapeutic Calibration Physicist only.

If you were previously approved before October 1, 2020, by the CDPH-RHB to perform radiation protection surveys only, you may apply as a TSP from now until October 1, 2023, by completing and submitting an “Application for Renewal of Authorization as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or Therapeutic Calibration Physicist” (**CDPH 4256R**), the required supporting documents, and a fee of \$267.00. On the application form, check the category box Therapeutic Survey Physicist only.

If you were previously approved before October 1, 2020, by the CDPH-RHB to perform radiation protection surveys only, and wish to apply as a TCP, you may do so by completing and submitting an “Application for Authorization as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or Therapeutic Calibration Physicist” (**CDPH 4256**), the required supporting documents, and a fee of \$312.00. On the application form, check the category box Therapeutic Calibration Physicist only.

If you were previously approved before October 1, 2020, but do not wish to apply as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or as a Therapeutic Calibration Physicist, your current authorization is valid until October 1, 2023. After that date, you must complete and submit an “Application for Authorization as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or Therapeutic Calibration Physicist” (**CDPH 4256**), the required supporting documents, and a fee of \$312.00.

If you were not approved before October 1, 2020, you must apply as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or as a Therapeutic Calibration Physicist by completing and submitting an “Application for Authorization as a Therapeutic Survey Physicist or Therapeutic Calibration Physicist” (**CDPH 4256**), the required supporting documents, and a fee of \$312.00.

Mail the completed application, supporting documents, and application fee payable to the CDPH-RHB to:

California Department of Public Health
Radiologic Health Branch
ATTN: Registration Unit
1500 Capitol Avenue, Suite 520, MS 7610, Bldg 172
Sacramento, CA 95814-5006

Allow 30 days for processing from receipt of your application.

If you have any questions about this notice, feel free to visit the [CDPH-RHB website](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/rhb) at www.cdph.ca.gov/rhb or contact our general number at 916-327-5106.