

March 14, 2023

House Committee on Health Care
115 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05633

Re: VAHHS Supports Radiologist Assistant Proposal

Dear Chair Houghton and House Health Care Committee:

On behalf of Vermont's hospitals, we support a bill that would clarify the supervision of radiologist assistants and the information they can disclose to patients.

Several Chief Medical Officers met to discuss the issue, including a radiologist, and agreed that there is currently a shortage of radiology services in Vermont and that this proposal is a way to safely increase access to radiology services and set up a career pipeline for radiologic technologists.

We also agree with the proposed changes around disclosure by radiologist assistants and hope this will provide improved communication and context for patients.

Thank you to the committee for your work on this bill. Please feel free to contact me for further information.

Sincerely,



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