

AB 356 (2010) Fluoroscopy Permit

Governor Schwarzenegger signed AB 356 (Fletcher) on October 11, 2009. This bill amends various provisions of the Health and Safety Code to permit the Radiologic Health Branch of the California Department of Public Health to issue physician assistants a fluoroscopy permit, subject to specific requirements of that Code.

Effective 1 January 2010, physician assistants who wish to obtain a fluoroscopy permit must demonstrate successful completion of 40 hours of coursework in fluoroscopy radiation safety and protection and pass an examination administered by the Radiologic Health Branch.

The bill also requires the supervising physician to have, or be exempt from having, a licentiate fluoroscopy permit to perform functions that he or she is supervising. It also allows a supervising physician to delegate to a physician assistant specified procedures using fluoroscopy.

To view AB 356 please click [here](#).

The California Department of Public Health will be proposing regulation changes to implement AB 356 that will be posted on the following link:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/services/DPOPP/regs/Pages/ProposedRegulations1.aspx>
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For further information and the most recent updates on this topic please click the link below to the Radiologic Health Branch of the California Department of Health:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/radquip/Pages/PA-Fluoroscopy.aspx>

California Department of Public Health website for general information and to obtain a list of approved fluoroscopy permit schools:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/rhb>

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