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**Hazardous Materials  
& Waste Management Division**

Department of Public Health & Environment

*To our Registered Service Providers and Qualified Inspectors:*

*Regarding CDPHE's Public Health Order 20-24, dated March 22, 2020 and servicing and inspection of radiation producing equipment in health care facilities, the X-ray Certification Unit does not consider this order to prohibit these activities at this time. However, it is expected that all individuals conducting activities that take place outside a private residence comply, at all times and to the greatest extent possible, with Social Distancing Requirements.*

*"Social Distancing Requirements " means maintaining at least a six-foot distance from other individuals, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.*

*We understand that the critical businesses that utilize radiation producing machines are currently dealing with exceptional circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic and as a result we are providing some regulatory flexibility in order to allow for these facilities to concentrate on essential functions, to forgo these activities for now, and remain in compliance.*

*This flexibility comes in the form of an extension to the requirements for select*

*radiation machine and facility certification evaluations.*

*For those radiation machines and facilities that require an initial certification evaluation within 90 days of use as per Section 6.6.1.2 the department is providing an additional 90 days for the completion of the initial evaluation. Please note, the requirements of 2.5.1.5 and 2.5.1.6 still remain in force and an evaluation of those machines prior to being used to perform any human examination is still required.*

*Radiation machines and facilities that are due for a certification evaluation, as per Section 2.5 of the Regulations, during the months of March, April, May and June of 2020 shall be granted a 6 month extension to complete that evaluation.*

*Please take advantage of this flexibility in situations in which there is a greater need for focus on COVID-19 related activities, in situations in which the effective implementation of Social Distancing practices is impractical or infeasible, or in those situations where another State or local government lawful order or facility policy prohibits or limits the ability to complete these activities.*

*Please feel free to contact the X-ray Certification Unit with any questions at 303-692-3448 or [cdphe.hmxraycomments@state.co.us](mailto:cdphe.hmxraycomments@state.co.us).*

*Thank you*