



# Introduction to the Registered Radiologist Assistant Certification and Registration Application Checklist for RPA Candidates

Candidates must meet the following eligibility requirements prior to participating in an examination.

Note: Candidates using the RPA eligibility pathway must successfully pass the ARRT R.R.A. exam. Any prior attempts of the R.R.A. exam by RPA candidates using the eligibility pathway will count towards ARRT's three attempt examination policy. Once eligibility is established through the RPA to R.R.A. pathway, the candidate has three years to complete their remaining attempts and pass the R.R.A. certification exam.

## 1. **ARRT Certified and Registered in Radiography**

Candidates must be certified and registered in radiography by ARRT in order to be eligible for certification and registration as an R.R.A. R.R.A.s must maintain their ARRT credential in radiography to be eligible for continued certification and registration as an R.R.A. ARRT verifies satisfaction of this requirement against its records upon receipt of a candidate's application materials.

## 2. **CBRPA Certification**

Candidates must hold current certification through the CBRPA. Their application must include their registration identification number and must be verifiable through the online CBRPA Registry Directory.

## 3. **Educational Program Completion**

Candidates must have successfully completed a radiology practitioner assistant (RPA) or Radiologist Assistant (RA) educational program that is accredited by a mechanism recognized by ARRT. A complete transcript showing successful program completion must be submitted with the application packet. **One** of the following requirements must be included:

- 3A. Transcript showing a master's or doctoral degree
- 3B. Transcript showing a bachelor's degree **plus** an Attestation of Education and Professional Work Experience showing two years of full-time equivalent work experience in medical imaging.
- 3C. Transcript showing an associate's degree plus an Attestation of Education and Professional Work Experience showing four years of full-time equivalent work experience in medical imaging.

## 4. **Current employment as a clinically practicing\* R.T.(R)(ARRT) or RPA**

Completed Attestation of Education and Professional Work Experience signed by the candidate and their employer indicating that they are currently employed as a clinically practicing\* R.T.(R)(ARRT) or RPA performing medical imaging procedures and the candidate's resume or CV must be included with the application.

## 5. **ARRT Ethics Requirements**

Candidates for certification and registration must be persons of good moral character and must not have engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with the ARRT Standards of Ethics or the ARRT Rules and Regulations and must have complied and agree to continue to comply with the ARRT Standards of Ethics and the ARRT Rules and Regulations. Candidates attest to the satisfaction of this requirement on the Application for Certification and Registration. The Application for Certification and Registration also requires the candidate to report any misdemeanor or felony convictions.

## 6. **Application for Certification and Registration**

The completed Application for Certification and Registration, along with the required fee and the forms noted above, must be received by ARRT by the application deadline (which is approximately 8 weeks prior to the exam administration period). Postmarking deadlines may be found on the ARRT website.

\*Clinically practicing means that the R.T.(R) or RPA is actually performing the medical imaging procedures rather than assisting, directing, teaching or helping.