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### ASRT Code of Ethics

The radiologic technologist:

- conducts himself or herself in a professional manner, responds to patient needs and supports colleagues and associates in providing quality patient care.
- acts to advance the principal objective of the profession to provide services to humanity with full respect for the dignity of mankind.
- delivers patient care and service unrestricted by concerns of personal attributes or the nature of the disease or illness and without discrimination on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion or socio-economic status.
- practices technology founded upon theoretical knowledge and concepts, uses equipment and accessories consistent with the purpose for which they were designed and employs procedures and techniques appropriately.
- assesses situations; exercises care, discretion and judgment; assumes responsibility for professional decisions; and acts in the best interest of the patient.
- acts as an agent through observation and communication to obtain pertinent information for the physician to aid in the diagnosis and treatment of the patient and recognizes that interpretation and diagnosis are outside the scope of practice for the profession.
- uses equipment and accessories, employs techniques and procedures, performs services in accordance with an accepted standard of practice and demonstrates expertise in minimizing radiation exposure to the patient, self and other members of the health care team.
- practices ethical conduct appropriate to the profession and protects the patient's right to quality radiologic care
- respects confidences entrusted in the course of professional practice, respects the patient's right to privacy and reveals confidential information only as required by law or to protect the welfare of the individual or the community.

The radiologic technologist continually strives to improve knowledge and skills by participating in continuing education and professional activities, sharing knowledge with colleagues and investigating new aspects of professional practice.

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