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APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR
APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFICATE IN COMPUTED
TOMOGRAPHY FOR PORTLAND COMMUNITY
COLLEGE

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REPORT: The proposed certificate in Computed Tomography addresses a need within hospital and clinic radiography departments to have nuclear medicine technologists certified to operate a Computed Tomography (CT) scanner in order to perform (Positron Emissions Tomography) PET/CT procedures. The development of the certificate is in response to a request from the Medical Imaging Director at Oregon Health Sciences University to prepare individuals to safely and competently perform CT procedures. Students must be a registered Radiologic Technologist (ARRT) (R) or a registered Nuclear Medicine Technologist (ARRT) (N) or (CNMT) in good standing with state and national requirements. The 17 credit certificate program is designed so that during the clinical courses students complete their hands-on education as well as all required competency exams needed to sit for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists CT examination.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application to the Oregon State Board of Education for a certificate in Computed Tomography for Portland Community College.