



PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATION AUTHENTICATION

Instrumental to Patient Care®

Provisional Certification is used when an individual has not accumulated the full 400 hours of hands-on experience. Provisional Certification will be assigned to all applications where Provisional Certification has been indicated or failure to complete both Sections Two and Three of the CRCST Application (indicating proof of full 400 hours of hands-on experience).

Once hours have been COMPLETELY accrued, return the original of this form to IAHCSMM and maintain a copy for your records.

1. Failure to provide the minimum of 400 hours of hands-on experience listed below, within six months of passing the certification exam, will result in the revocation of Provisional Certification, and the exam will have to be retaken to obtain actual certification (including all applicable exam fees)
2. 400 total hours of hands-on experience will be accumulated within six (6) months of a passing grade (70 or better) on the certification exam
3. 400 hours of hands-on experience will be broken down in the following categories:
4. Each area of experience earned will be approved by a direct supervisor
 - a. 32 Hours of Patient Care Equipment (cleaning, assembly, testing, identification)
 - b. 32 Hours of General Cleaning (instruments-utensils-syringes-needles, operation of washer/sterilizer and/or ultrasonic)
 - c. 36 Hours of Wrapping/Packaging (peel packaging/heat sealing, square and envelope wrapping, label/expiration date, etc.)
 - d. 36 Hours of Linen Folding (inspection, folding drapes/wrappers, towels, etc.)

*Note: If facility does not have any reusable linen, these 36 hours will be divided in half and added to General Cleaning (18 hours) and Instrument/Procedure Trays (18 hours)
 - e. 60 Hours of Assembling Instrument/Procedure Trays (assembly/layout, inspection, identification, use)
 - f. 64 Hours of Sterilization (loading, unloading, operation, record keeping, biological test, handling/putting away sterile supplies, dust covering)
 - g. 36 Hours of Storage Clean and Sterile (rotating supplies, inventory, and restocking carts/shelves, outdates, cleaning storage shelves)
 - h. 32 Hours of Case Carts (assembly, pick sheets, cover and transport to OR)

*Note: If facility does not case carts, these 32 hours will be divided in half and added to Wrapping/Packaging (16 hours) and Sterilization (16 hours)
 - i. 32 Hours of Distribution (par levels, Pyxis, exchange carts, "just in time")

*Note: If facility does not use this procedure, these 32 hours will be divided in half and added to General Cleaning (16 hours) and Instrument/Procedure Trays (16 hours)
 - j. 40 Hours of Miscellaneous (gowning/gloving for decontams, hand washing, picking up soiled items, bagging trash/linens, paper dress code, etc.)

To be completed upon successful completion of the CRCST exam:

Examinee Full Printed Name: _____

Examinee ID Number _____ CRCST Exam Score _____ CRCST Exam Date _____

I attest that the above mentioned employee has earned the full 400 hours of hands-on experience, as designated by the select categories listed.

Manager/Supervisor _____
Printed Name _____ Signature _____

Hospital Name _____ Current Title/Position in Hospital _____

Hospital Address _____
Street _____ City _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Phone Number _____ Date: _____