

Direct Patient Care Contact Hours Information Form

Applicants who are applying to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program with the background of a Bachelor's Degree in the Health Sciences are required to show proof of

“Direct Patient Care Experience.”

Direct Patient Care Experience is considered to be when a health provider or staff member provides care in which he or she is required to come into contact with a patient, “hands on treatment.” This documentation must include job title, name of institution, name of supervisor, description of tasks, and number of hours worked.

- Direct Patient Care experience can be on a paid or volunteer basis.
- Direct Patient Care Experience of at least 300 hours is required.

Examples of Direct Patient Care include but are not limited to the following:

- Drawing blood
- Taking vitals
- Providing personal hygiene care
- Technical Assistant in Radiography, etc.

Applicants who do not have direct patient care experience may be able to obtain these hours through working as a medical or nursing assistant, aide, or volunteer in settings such as hospitals or clinics.

- ❖ All direct patient care hour submissions will be reviewed by the Education Advisory Committee to document and verify that each candidate has met the listed requirements.