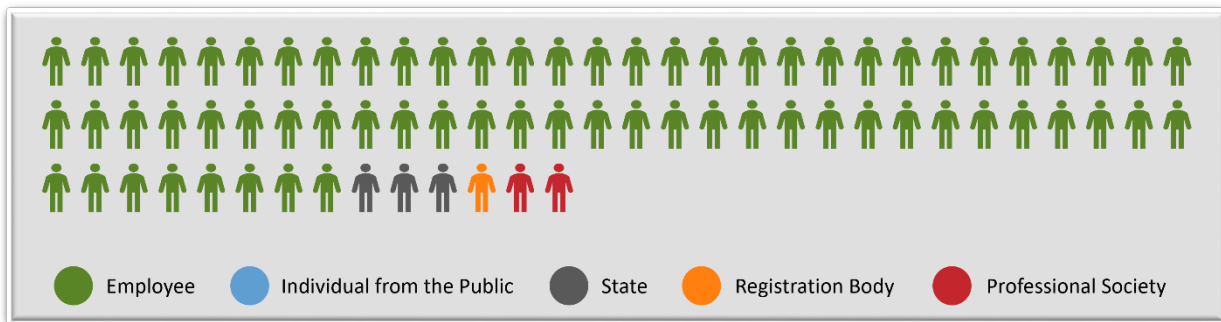


VA National Standards of Practice

VA STANDARD OF PRACTICE FOR NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIST Comment Count Report

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is developing a national standard of practice for VA Nuclear Medicine Technologists which would standardize the scope of practice for these health care professionals in all VA medical facilities provided they have the proper education, training, and skills to perform the tasks and duties detailed in the national standard of practice.

On May 14, 2024, VA posted the proposed VA standard of practice for Nuclear Medicine Technologist in the Federal Register ([89 FR 42057](#)) for public comment and within VA's intranet for VA employee comment. VA also sent letters, including the proposed VA standard of practice, to national registration bodies, professional societies and state licensing boards for Nuclear Medicine Technologists to provide an opportunity for them to comment directly to VA on the proposed standard. VA requested all comments on the Federal Register, VA's intranet site, and from the states and certification bodies be provided within 60 days. The comment period closed on July 15, 2024, and VA received 74 comments in total.



VA received 68 comments from VA employees, 1 comment from a national registration body, and 2 comments from professional societies. As of July 15, 2024, VA received comments from 3 out of the 34 state licensing boards for Nuclear Medicine Technologist; however, VA will continue to actively engage with states.

VA will review all comments received and make appropriate revisions to the VA standard of practice for Nuclear Medicine Technologist in light of the comments, including those that present evidence-based practice and alternatives that help VA meet our mission and goals.

VA will post a collective response to all comments in a final report on <https://www.va.gov/standardsofpractice> once the VA standard of practice for Nuclear Medicine Technologist is published in Veterans Health Administration Directive 1900, which will be available at <https://www.va.gov/vhapublications/publications.cfm?pub=1>.