

AULTMAN COLLEGE PREGNANCY DECLARATION & AGREEMENT
(For the Associate of Science in Radiography [ASR] Program)

I, _____, voluntarily declare by means of this written notice to the program director of the Associate of Science in Radiography that I am pregnant. The approximate date of conception is _____, and the anticipated due date is _____.

If a student suspects she is pregnant prior to entering or while enrolled in the ASR program, she has the option to declare her pregnancy to program officials. If the student chooses to disclose her pregnancy, she must immediately notify the program director and sign a witnessed “Declaration of Pregnancy” indicating that she is pregnant, the approximate date of conception, and the approximate due date. The program director then forwards the signed Pregnancy Declaration and Agreement to the Radiation Safety Officer, who monitors both student and fetal radiation badges. This follows the Guide 8.13 of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Ohio Department of Health. The declaration remains in effect until the declared pregnant student withdraws the declaration or is no longer pregnant. If the student chooses to disclose her pregnancy, she may make an informed decision based on her individual needs and preferences. The options include the following:

- Continuing the educational program without modification or interruption.
- Discussing with the program director whether reasonable program modifications or adjustments are appropriate and feasible.
- Voluntarily withdrawing from the program.
 - Meeting with program director and academic advisor to evaluate a possible re-entrance timeframe.
- Written withdrawal of declaration.

The student who chooses to disclose her pregnancy and continue at the clinical site will be required to wear an additional dosimeter for fetal dose measurement.

The student will also be required to follow the National Council on Radiation Protection (NCRP) and measurement dose limits for the embryo and fetus in occupationally exposed women, which are no more than 0.5 rem (5 mSv) during the entire gestation and no more than .05 rem in any month, both with respect to the fetus. It is the policy of the ASR program to instruct all students on radiation protection procedures with respect to the embryo/fetus.

Neither Aultman College nor the student’s assigned clinical education setting will be responsible for radiation injury to the student or the embryo/fetus if the student chooses to continue in the program during pregnancy.

Student’s Signature & Date _____

Program Director’s Signature _____

Clinical Coordinator’s Signature _____