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To: Designated Employer Representatives, Classification and Testing Personnel

FROM: Gail Schiesser, Executive Director

RE: Final Status Notice for Tumor Registrar Series Minimum Acceptable Qualifications

DATE: April 14, 2025

The State Universities Civil Service continues to revise and modify the classification plan. The overall objective is to provide an effective classification and examination system that meets the business requirements of each employer.

On January 1, 2024, the National Cancer Registrars Association (NCRA) changed its certification title from Certified Tumor Registrar (CTR) to Oncology Data Specialist (ODS). After a one-year transition period, the Certified Tumor Registrar (CTR) certification is no longer part of the classification specification and examination.

The State Universities Civil Service System has updated its classification plan to include the Oncology Data Specialist (ODS) certification as an acceptable minimum qualification for the Tumor Registrar Series classification specification. Additionally, the examination instruments have been revised where necessary.

The Classification is currently being used by UIC, UIC-H, and SIUSOM.

Registers

The Tumor Registrar I and Tumor Registrar II registers shall remain unchanged and are not voided.

Class Specification and Examination Components/Instruments

The revised classification specification and examination instruments for the Tumor Registrar Series classification will be available in E-Test on May 15, 2025. Visit our website If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Noel Rowe at (217) 560-6202 or noelr@sucss.illinois.gov.