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New electoral districts

Effective October 1, 2018, the CMRTO electoral districts changed to include our new specialty of diagnostic medical sonography. In addition, the previous four geographical districts for the specialty of radiography have been consolidated into one: District One. The table of the new districts is set out below.



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Medical Radiation
Technologists of
Ontario

Ordre des
technologues en
radiation médicale
de l'Ontario

Previous districts	New districts – effective October 1, 2018	Next election date	Current elected member
1. Radiography - Northern	1. Radiography	April 2021	Wendy Rabbie, MRT(R)
2. Radiography - Eastern			
3. Radiography - Central			
4. Radiography - Western			
5. Radiation Therapy	2. Radiation Therapy	April 2021	Angela Cashell, MRT(T)
6. Nuclear Medicine	3. Nuclear Medicine	April 2020	Sandra Willson, MRT(N)
8. Magnetic Resonance	4. Magnetic Resonance	April 2019	Jay Neadles, MRT(R) (MR)
	5. Diagnostic Medical Sonography	April 2019	New district
	6. Member-at-large	April 2019	New district
7. Faculty member	7. Academic member	Becomes an appointed position	Cathryne Palmer, MRT(T)

The current members of Council who were elected in the retired electoral districts of radiography based on the geographical regions of Northern, Central and Western will complete their terms: Nathalie Bolduc until June 2019; Ebenezer Adiyiah until June 2020; and Janet Scherer until June 2019. The terms of the two transitional Council members in the specialty of diagnostic medical sonography, Carolyn Trottier and Ray Lappalainen, will end in June 2019, following the election of a DMS in District 5.

Your CMRTO Member Profile has been updated with your new electoral district, based on your specialty certificate of registration. For those members who are registered in more than one specialty, your electoral district has been assigned based on your primary specialty. All CMRTO members will be eligible to run for election and vote in District 6, member-at-large.

Further information on the election process can be found [here](#), current elections [here](#) and the Council composition [here](#).

Notice of Election

CMRTO will hold elections in Districts 4 (Magnetic Resonance), 5 (Diagnostic Medical Sonography) and 6 (Member-at-large) on April 3, 2019.

All CMRTO members will be sent an email on November 29, 2018 outlining the election process and the electoral districts you are eligible to vote in. Since this is the first election to be held for the new member-at-large Council seat, all CMRTO members will be able to vote in this election and will therefore receive an email with additional details about the upcoming elections.

Nominating forms giving all eligible members the opportunity to stand for election in 2019 will be emailed on December 4, 2018.

For more information about the CMRTO Council, please click [here](#). For more information about the election process or the new electoral districts, please click [here](#).

What you must know about ... performing procedures for medical radiation and imaging technologists

At the CMRTO Council meeting on September 18th, Council reviewed the second draft of "What you must know about ... performing procedures for medical radiation and imaging technologists" for electronic publication and distribution to all CMRTO members.

This publication outlines the information that CMRTO members must know and understand regarding the performance of medical radiation and imaging technology procedures in accordance with the Standards of Practice. This includes:

- performing procedures within the scope of practice of the profession,
- having the knowledge, skills and judgment to perform a procedure, and

- ensuring that the appropriate order authorizing the performance of a procedure, treatment or intervention is in place prior to performing the procedure, treatment or intervention.

These requirements are discussed in detail in Part I of the publication, which also includes a summary of the requirements that must be met prior to performing a procedure, treatment or intervention.

In addition, this publication also discusses delegation, fetal ultrasound for non-medical purposes and issues affecting students and applicants prior to their registration with CMRTO.

Once published, "What you must know about ... performing procedures for medical radiation and imaging technologists" will be shared with all members via email and saved on the website for easy reference. Please be on the lookout for this important resource later this fall.

Information sessions

Join Registrar & CEO Linda Gough for information sessions across the province this fall. Topics will include: orders for imaging and therapeutic procedures, the regulation of diagnostic medical sonographers, new electoral districts and expected changes to CMRTO's name and visual identity.

Linda will be visiting the following locations:

Ajax

Monday, October 29, 2018
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Ajax Convention Centre
550 Beck Crescent
Room: Westney Ballroom, Main Level

Ottawa

Tuesday, October 30, 2018
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Ottawa Conference and Event Centre
200 Coventry Rd
Room: Lecture Room 110, Main Floor

Update on the registration of diagnostic medical sonographers

For the past ten months, CMRTO staff have been helping diagnostic medical sonographers apply to and register as members of CMRTO.

We are pleased to report that, as of October 15th, a total of 2,705 diagnostic medical sonographers have either been approved for registration or have already registered with the CMRTO! This is a considerable accomplishment representing over 71% of the applications received at this point.

The following chart outlines the status of the applications received to date (October 15, 2018).

Submitted applications ready to be reviewed	457
Submitted applications under review by staff	616
Total applications	1,073
Approved applications - eligible for registration	1,848
Registered in DMS - new members	642
Registered in DMS - active in another specialty(ies)	157
Registered in DMS - past member in another specialty(ies)	58
Total registered or approved	2,705

Thunder Bay

Thursday, November 1, 2018

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Valhalla Inn

1 Valhalla Inn Road

Room: Ballroom

Toronto

Monday, November 5, 2018

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

The Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences

222 St. Patrick Street

Room: Auditorium, Ground Floor

Hamilton

Tuesday, November 6, 2018

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Carmen's Banquet Centre

1520 Stone Church Road East

Room: Venetian Ballroom

Sudbury

Monday, November 12, 2018

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Holiday Inn Sudbury

1696 Regent Street

Room: Georgian Room D

Brampton

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Courtyard Marriott Toronto Brampton

90 Biscayne Crescent

Room: Windsor B

London

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Four Points by Sheraton London

1150 Wellington Road South

Room: Balmoral A, Mezzanine Floor, Main Entrance

Take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about your CMRTO, network with other members and ask your most pressing questions about the regulation of medical radiation and imaging technologists in Ontario.

And enjoy a coffee and cookie while earning two hours of continuing education for your QA program.

For more information, please visit For more information about these sessions, please click [here](#).

Apply Now!

The application review and approval process may take up to four months for CMRTO to complete, as evaluating each applicant's skills, experience and education to determine if they meet the registration requirements outlined in the regulation made under the *Medical Radiation Technology Act* (MRT Act) is a complex and time-intensive process. Once your application has been reviewed, you will be notified about the status of your application. If any additional information is required, you will be notified as soon as possible.

In less than three months' time, anyone wishing to practise diagnostic medical sonography must be registered with the CMRTO to do so legally in the province of Ontario. Anyone practising diagnostic medical sonography without being registered with the CMRTO could be subject to a fine, professional sanctions and/or provincial offence charges.

As well, changes to the Controlled Acts regulation made under the *Regulated Health Professions Act* come into force on the same date. Effective January 1, 2019, only members of the CMRTO, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, College of Nurses of Ontario and College of Midwives of Ontario will be authorized to perform the controlled act of applying soundwaves for diagnostic ultrasound examinations. As a result, if you or anyone you know is currently practising or hopes to practise diagnostic medical sonography in Ontario after **January 1, 2019**, it is critical to apply for registration immediately to avoid delay or prosecution.

We cannot guarantee that we can process applications submitted after **November 16, 2018** in time for sonographers to become registered by **December 31, 2018**. Also, we suggest that those applicants who have already received confirmation that their application has been approved complete the registration process by **December 15, 2018**. We want to ensure that all DMSs are registered and ready to work by December 31, 2018.

To start your application now, or to complete your already-started application, please click [here](#). For more details on the application process and requirements for

registration, please review our application guide by clicking [here](#).

Important dates

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Apply by **November 16, 2018**

Register by **December 15, 2018**

New Quality Assurance Manager and Professional Practice Advisor

In August, two CMRTO members joined our staff as Quality Assurance Manager and Professional Practice Advisor.

Janet Maggio, Quality Assurance Manager, is an MRT in the specialties of nuclear medicine and magnetic resonance. Janet holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Guelph, and recently obtained a Master of Science in Health Science Education from McMaster University. Her master's thesis was on Quality Assurance and its critical importance in maintaining competency in a profession. Most recently, Janet was the Director of Professional Services at the Ontario Association of Medical Radiation Sciences. Before that, she was a professor at the Michener Institute for Allied Health Sciences for ten years where she taught nuclear medicine technology. Janet also has 13 years of experience in providing clinical services to patients in both nuclear medicine and magnetic resonance in a full-time and casual capacity.

Tina White, Professional Practice Advisor, is an MRT in the specialties of magnetic resonance and radiography. Tina completed a program in radiography at the Eastern Ontario School of X-Ray Technology in Kingston and obtained her post-graduate fellowship in CT/MRI Technology from the University of Virginia. She has 24 years of experience in radiography, CT and MRI including 18 years as an MRI Charge Technologist and MRI Safety Officer at the Scarborough & Rouge Hospital. Tina also has more than 15 years of clinical experience, including

teaching, research and policy, at a number of different facilities including tertiary care hospitals and clinics, both in Ontario and Charlottesville, Virginia.

Tina is able to speak conversational French and Janet is bilingual. They started their new positions on Monday, August 20, 2018.

CMRTO is excited to have such well qualified MRTs join our team, and hope that you join us in welcoming Janet and Tina!



Janet Maggio



Tina White



This fall, CMRTO is hosting a webinar series covering a wide range of topics related to the practice of medical radiation and imaging technology in Ontario. These 45-minute webinars are designed to be short, practical and informative sessions for new and established members alike.

Here is the fall webinar series schedule:

What Happens January 1, 2019?

Thursday, September 27, 2018

1:00 pm

Effective January 1, 2019, the regulation of diagnostic medical sonography will be fully implemented in Ontario. All sonographers must be registered with CMRTO in order to be legally authorized to practise the profession and to apply soundwaves for diagnostic ultrasound procedures. This webinar will help you understand how the regulation of sonographers by CMRTO affects you and will outline any steps you need to take to ensure that you're ready and able to practice in the new year.

Click [here](#) to view a recording of this webinar.

Myths, Rumours & Urban Legends

Thursday, October 4, 2018

1:00 pm

Join Registrar & CEO Linda Gough as she discusses some of the myths, rumours and urban legends about the regulation of medical radiation and imaging technology and answers some of our most commonly asked questions.

Click [here](#) to view a recording of this webinar.

Professional Accountability and Getting to Know Your College

Thursday, October 11, 2018

1:00 pm

What is regulation? What is CMRTO's role in regulating medical radiation and imaging technologists? Participants in this session will learn about the structure of CMRTO, including Registration, Quality Assurance and Complaints. Learn more about us and your professional obligations in this informative webinar.

Click [here](#) to view a recording of this webinar.

CMRTO QA Program – Simplified!

Thursday, October 25, 2018

1:00 pm

In this session, Director of Quality Assurance Annette Hornby will lead participants through a review of the objectives, components and timelines of CMRTO's Quality Assurance program. In addition to helping you understand how the QA program works and what's required of members each year, this webinar will provide helpful hints and tips to help you fulfil your annual QA requirements.

Register now for [CMRTO QA Program – Simplified!](#)

What you must know about ... performing procedures for medical radiation and imaging technologists

Thursday, November 15, 2018

1:00 pm

The CMRTO's Standards of Practice require members to ensure that an appropriate order – an authorizing statement from a regulated health professional with prescribing authority – is in place prior to performing a procedure, treatment or intervention. Join Registrar & CEO Linda Gough as she explains the different types of orders, who can issue an order, the practice of delegation and the various steps involved in determining when to implement a procedure as ordered in this practical and informative webinar.

Register now for [What you must know about ... performing procedures for medical radiation and imaging technologists](#)

What you must know about ... mandatory reporting and complaints

Thursday, November 22, 2018

1:00 pm

What is mandatory reporting? When are you responsible for reporting professional misconduct, sexual abuse, professional negligence, incompetence or incapacity to the College? In this session, Director of Professional Conduct Tina Langlois discusses mandatory reporting as it pertains to medical radiation and imaging technologists, outlines key roles and responsibilities of members and departments and provides an overview of the complaints process.

Register now for [What you must know about ... mandatory reporting and complaints](#)

To register for any of these upcoming webinars, please click on the links above or visit the CMRTO website for additional information.

Suspended Members

The following members' certificates of registration were suspended between July 31, 2018 and October 5, 2018 for failure to pay their fees in accordance with section 24 of the Health Professions Procedural Code.

A person whose certificate of registration has been suspended is not a member of the CMRTO unless and until the suspension is removed.

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VISION: The CMRTO is a future-focused, responsive, collaborative regulator committed to excellence.

VALUES: Integrity | Fairness | Transparency | Respect | Professionalism

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