



# 2021 Annual Summary

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## The **Alliance of Medical Radiation and Imaging Technologists Regulators of Canada (AMRITRC)**, or the **Alliance**, is a group of provincial regulators who address issues related to the evolution of medical radiation and imaging technologist regulation with the goal of enhancing safe, competent, and ethical care for Canadians. The Alliance brings together organizations that have the legislative authority of a Canadian province or territory for regulating practice of medical radiation and imaging technologists. It was formed to ensure public protection by advancing MRIT regulation, professional standards, patient care, and regulatory issues. Eight years following incorporation, the Alliance continues to work to achieve the following goals:

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- Encouraging and supporting communication and information sharing
- Developing, promoting and evaluating common standards
- Facilitating MRIT mobility between regulated jurisdictions
- Encouraging and promoting standardised regulatory policies and procedures
- Supporting provincial MRIT organizations in their pursuit of MRIT regulation

Alliance members are regulatory bodies, responsible for ensuring safe, quality, professional, ethical and competent imaging and radiation therapy services in their respective jurisdictions, helping to ensure that MRITs practice in accordance with defined practice, competence, conduct, ethical and professional standards.



*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Alliance held no in person meetings for the second year in a row with the Board of Directors continuing to focus on priority issues during 2021, meeting by Zoom. While it is recognized that there are cost benefits to virtual meetings, there is great anticipation building for in person meetings in 2022.*

# HIGHLIGHTS

## NEW ALLIANCE MEMBER AND TRANSITIONS

Effective November 18, 2021, the Alliance welcomed the College of Allied Health Professionals of Prince Edward Island (CAHPPEI) — the new regulator of MRTs, medical laboratory technologists, and respiratory therapists in PEI — as an organizational member. CAHPPEI’s Registrar Bernard Plourde now serves on the Alliance Board of Directors. The Alliance was also advised that Tyler Ferrish, who had been a regular observer at Alliance meetings for PEI’s MRTs, has been appointed to the Initial Council of CAHPPEI for a two year term, ending April 20, 2023.

The Alliance also welcomed new Manitoba Association of MRTs Executive Director Pamela McFarlane as an observer at Alliance meetings as MAMRT continues to pursue MRT regulation. We thank Salin Guttormsson for her time in that role, which she left in September 2021.

## RECURRING ACTIVITIES

For the second year of the global pandemic, the Alliance focused on information-sharing during 2021, with these recurring agenda items:

- Canadian Comparison Chart of Regulators and Associations for MRITs — updated annually, published on Alliance website
- Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA) Certificate — supports labour mobility and registration practices for individual regulatory bodies
- Canadian Network of Agencies for Regulation (CNAR) — Julie Avery continues to serve as the Alliance’s representative
- Focus on governance — annual review of Governance Summary and Handbook, along with (Re)Orientation for Alliance Directors
- Cross-Country Information-Sharing — Board meetings and monthly virtual chats provide opportunities for members and guests from not-yet-regulated jurisdictions to provide updates on MRIT regulation, e.g., the inclusion of diagnostic medical sonographers (DMS), internationally educated MRITs, and updates on governance modernization efforts

## NATIONAL NETWORK

The Alliance continues to be a member of the National Network, a coalition of organizations with a shared interest in the profession of medical radiation and imaging technology in Canada. The National Network includes provincial regulators and associations, and nationally, CAMRT, Sonography Canada, and the Alliance.

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[College of Allied Health Professionals of Prince Edward Island \(CAHPPEI\)](#)

[College of Medical Radiation and Imaging Technologists of Ontario \(CMRITO\)](#)

[New Brunswick Association of Medical Radiation Technologists \(NBAMRT\)](#)

[Nova Scotia College of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals \(NSCMIRTP\)](#)

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