



# 2020 Annual Summary

## 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:

- 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

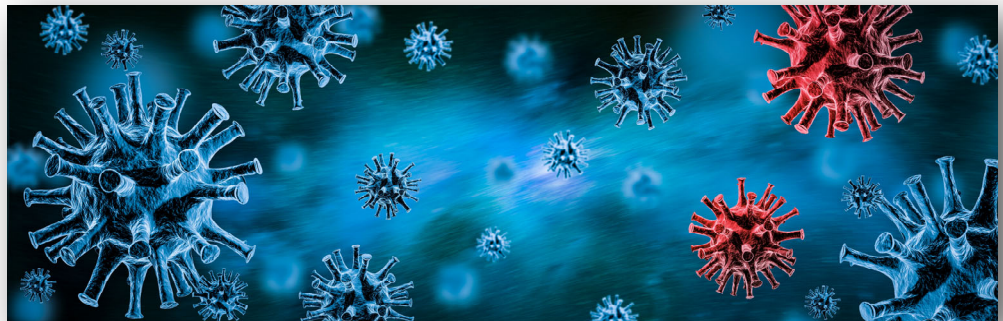
Alliance members are regulatory bodies, responsible for ensuring safe, quality, professional, ethical and competent imaging and radiation therapy services in their respective jurisdictions, helping to ensure that MRITs practice in accordance with defined practice, competence, conduct, ethical and professional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



*For the first time since the Alliance's incorporation, no "in person" meetings were held at any time during the year. This was, as could be assumed, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Alliance Board of Directors focused on priority issues during 2020, using virtual meeting platforms to safely assemble.*

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*The Alliance Board of Directors and guests at the November 16<sup>th</sup> Zoom Board meeting*

## COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The Alliance Board of Directors met via Zoom during 2020, welcoming the not-yet-regulated jurisdictions' representatives to join those meetings. The information-sharing, as the effects of the pandemic upon regulators and the healthcare system were realized, was of tremendous benefit.

It was agreed that information-sharing would be the priority for the Alliance for 2020 due to COVID-19. To support this priority, virtual monthly check-ins were initiated and will continue as the benefits go beyond pandemic needs.

The Alliance expresses its appreciation to MRITs that its members regulate for their tireless efforts, providing safe care to Canadians, with condolences to all who suffered loss during 2020.

# HIGHLIGHTS

## RECURRING ACTIVITIES

The Alliance, while focusing on information-sharing during 2020, continued its regular work on the following:

- 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 serves 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 include 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 organizations’ governance modernization efforts

## NATIONAL NETWORK

The Alliance is 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. No meetings of the National Network were held in 2020 due to individual organizations’ priorities related to COVID-19 pandemic.

## CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL RADIATION TECHNOLOGISTS (CAMRT)

The Alliance joined the MRIT community in welcoming new CAMRT CEO Irving Gold, who met with the Alliance Board via Zoom on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Alliance members continue to share their appreciation for the work of CAMRT, including the invitation for the Alliance - Christine Power - to be part of the MR in Therapy Task Force and the provision of entry-to-practice exams to assist with the regulation of MRITs across Canada.

### **AMRITRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- ♦ *Julie Avery, NSCMIRTP  
(formerly NSAMRT)*
- ♦ *Caroline Bélisle,  
OTIMROEPMQ,*
- ♦ *Linda Gough, CMRITO*
- ♦ *Christine Power,  
NBAMRT*
- ♦ *Debbie Schatz, SAMRT*
- ♦ *Pree Tyagi, ACMDTT*

### **AMRITRC OFFICERS**

- *Linda Gough, President*
- *Pree Tyagi, Vice-  
President*
- *Julie Avery, Secretary-  
Treasurer*

# Alliance of Medical Radiation and Imaging Technologists Regulators of Canada (AMRITRC)

## Members:

**Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic & Therapeutic Technologists (ACMDTT)**

**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) [previously known as the Nova Scotia Association of Medical Radiation Technologists (NSAMRT)]**

**Ordre des technologues en imagerie médicale, en radio-oncologie et en électrophysiologie médicale du Québec (OTIMROEPMQ)**

**Saskatchewan Association of Medical Radiation Technologists (SAMRT)**



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