



Alliance of Medical Radiation  
Technologists Regulators of Canada

Alliance des Organismes de Réglementation  
des Technologues en Radiation Médicale du Canada

# 2018 Annual Activity Summary

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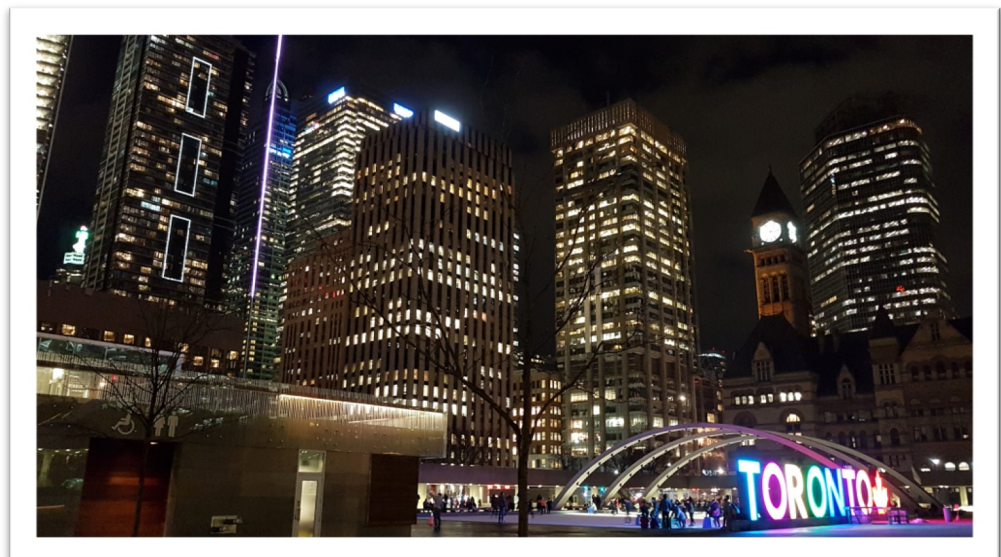
**AMRTRC is the Alliance of the provincial medical radiation technologist (MRT) regulators**, formed to ensure public protection by advancing MRT regulation, professional standards, patient care, and regulatory issues. Six years following incorporation, the Alliance continues to work to achieve the following goals:

- Develop, promote and evaluate common standards between jurisdictions
- Encourage and promote standardised regulatory policies and procedures
- Facilitate communication and information sharing
- Facilitate MRT mobility between regulated jurisdictions
- Support other provincial/territorial MRT organizations in their pursuit of MRT regulation

Alliance members are MRT regulators, responsible for ensuring safe, quality, professional, ethical and competent imaging and radiation therapy services in their respective jurisdictions. This is achieved through the regulation and licensing of MRTs which helps ensure that MRTs practice in accordance with defined practice, competence, conduct, ethical and professional standards.



*AMRTRC met in at its head office in Toronto for all three of its regular meetings in 2018, also hosting the National Network in November.*





# HIGHLIGHTS

## **AMRTRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- ◆ *Julie Avery, NSAMRT*
- ◆ *Alain Crompt, OTIMROEPMQ*
- ◆ *Linda Gough, CMRTO*
- ◆ *Christine Power, NBAMRT*
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## **AMRTRC OFFICERS**

- *Linda Gough, President*
- *Alain Crompt, Vice-President*
- *Julie Avery, Secretary-Treasurer*

### **STRATEGIC PLANNING—GOAL-SETTING SESSION**

At the conclusion of the 2015-2018 timeline for AMRTRC’s Strategic Plan, it was decided that an annual goal-setting exercise would be beneficial for the Alliance, recognizing the basics of the strategic directions will be consistent for years to come.

- Engaging non-regulated provincial associations in advancing their progress toward regulation and Alliance membership
- Promoting safe and ethical practices of the profession through regulatory excellence
- Committing to responsible and sustainable financial and people resourcing to ensure capacity and continuity for strategic delivery

In November 2018, the Board of Directors, along with not-yet-regulated jurisdiction representatives, embarked on that goal-setting session which led to the following outcomes:

- ◆ **Change of Name of the Alliance (AMRTRC)**  
NEW NAME— “**Alliance of Medical Radiation and Imaging Technologists Regulators of Canada (AMRITRC)**”: it was agreed to change the name of the Alliance to recognize the regulation of diagnostic medical sonographers
- ◆ **Change of Purpose Statement**  
NEW STATEMENT OF PURPOSE—“**To bring together organizations that have legislative authority of a province or territory of Canada for regulating the practice of medical radiation and imaging technologists**”

Additional action items will be included in future Board of Directors discussions, including these:

- Determining how to logistically include provinces who have included the regulation of medical radiation and imaging technologists within umbrella legislation
- Creating systems for ongoing mentoring, education, and the provision of resources
- Working toward adoption of national guidelines for consistency and harmonization
- Sharing information and expertise of Alliance members with others in health regulation

# HIGHLIGHTS

## CANADIAN COMPARISON CHART OF REGULATORS AND ASSOCIATIONS FOR MEDICAL RADIATION AND IMAGING TECHNOLOGISTS

This informative chart, which compares data from organizations across Canada for easy access to important information, including specialties regulated, numbers of members, registration fees, etc., is updated annually and can be found on the AMRTRC website.

## CANADIAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (CFTA) CERTIFICATE

The annual review of the CFTA certificate occurred again in 2018, providing an up-to-date resource for AMRTRC members to help facilitate registration practices for individual regulators.

## CHANGES TO ACCREDITATION OF MRT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The work of the Allied Health Program Accreditation Working Group to secure accreditation services for MRT education programs came to fruition in 2018 following the January 22, 2016, announcement by the Canadian Medical Association's (CMA's) Conjoint Accreditation Services that it would be, after 80 years, "divesting itself of responsibility for assessing and accrediting Canadian Health education programs in designated health science professions within the next 24 months." Health Standards Organization (HSO) and its affiliate Accreditation Canada (AC), are now delivering accreditation services through their new Equal Canada Program. AMRTRC continues to have representatives on the Equal Canada Program Council and Technical Committee.

## REGULATION OF DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHERS (DMS)

Updates to the progress in the regulation of sonography across Canada are included on each AMRTRC agenda. In 2018, the anticipation of regulation of DMS was reported by Alberta and Nova Scotia, as well as an application being submitted again in Saskatchewan. The regulation of "radiation therapists" through a multi-profession regulatory body in British Columbia is also being monitored. Ontario's inclusion of DMS as registrants within the CMRTO was official as of January 1, 2019, with over 4,000 sonographers being added to CMRTO's membership.

Province/Territory	Regulatory Body	Association Name	Number of Regulators	Number of Members	Registration Fees	Other Details
Ontario	College of Medical Radiation Technologists (CMRT)	Ontario Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (OSMRT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Quebec	Ordre des techniciens en radiologie médicale (OTRM)	Ordre des techniciens en radiologie médicale (OTRM)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Alberta	Alberta Health Services (AHS)	Alberta Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (ASMRT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Saskatchewan	Saskatchewan Health Services (SHS)	Saskatchewan Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (SSMRT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Manitoba	Manitoba Health Services (MHS)	Manitoba Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (MSMRT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Yukon	Yukon Health Services (YHS)	Yukon Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (YSMRT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Northwest Territories	Northwest Territories Health Services (NWT HS)	Northwest Territories Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (NWT SMT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently
Nunavut	Nunavut Health Services (NHS)	Nunavut Society of Medical Radiation Technologists (NSMRT)	1,000	1,000	\$150	None currently

AMRTRC's Cost Comparison Chart

# Alliance of Medical Radiation Technologists Regulators of Canada (AMRTRC)

## Members:

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

**College of Medical Radiation Technologists of Ontario (CMRTO)**

**New Brunswick Association of Medical Radiation Technologists (NBAMRT)**

**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)**

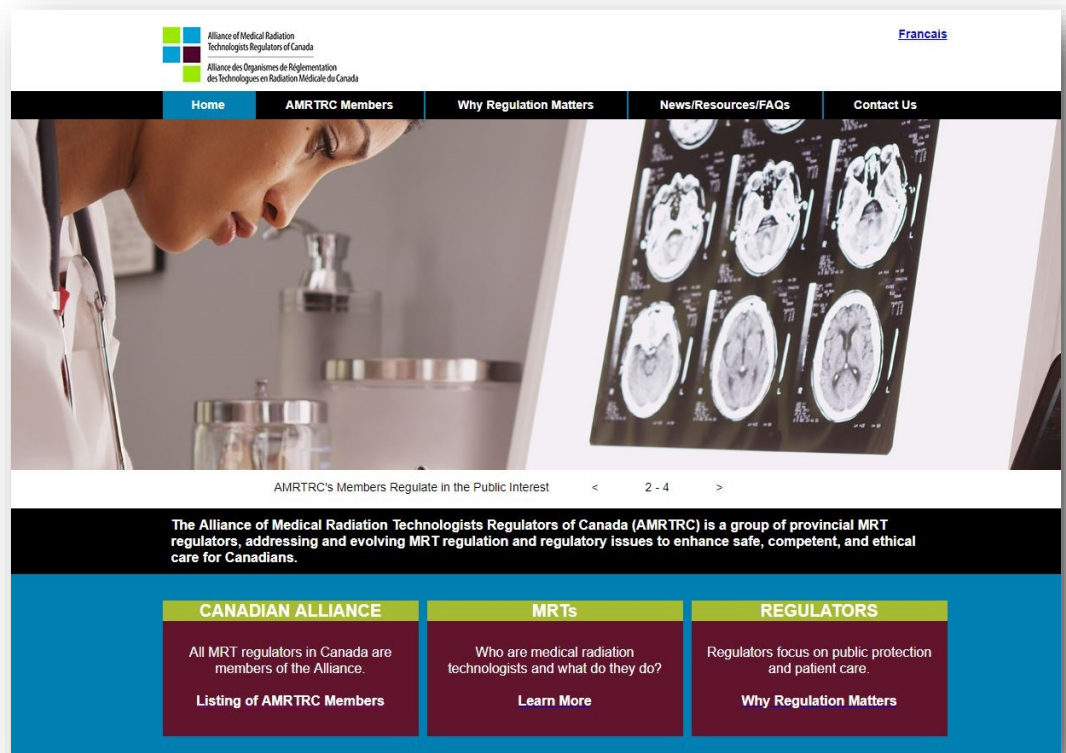


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The screenshot shows the AMRTRC website homepage. At the top left is the logo and name in both English and French. A navigation menu includes Home, AMRTRC Members, Why Regulation Matters, News/Resources/FAQs, and Contact Us. A 'Français' link is in the top right. The main content area features a large image of a medical professional looking at a monitor displaying several CT scan slices. Below the image is a text box stating: 'The Alliance of Medical Radiation Technologists Regulators of Canada (AMRTRC) is a group of provincial MRT regulators, addressing and evolving MRT regulation and regulatory issues to enhance safe, competent, and ethical care for Canadians.' At the bottom, there are three columns: 'CANADIAN ALLIANCE' (All MRT regulators in Canada are members of the Alliance. Listing of AMRTRC Members), 'MRTs' (Who are medical radiation technologists and what do they do? Learn More), and 'REGULATORS' (Regulators focus on public protection and patient care. Why Regulation Matters).