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## Association of Medical Radiation Technologists

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Congratulations to Rachel Bloomfield who's e-newsletter name has been selected - "**Technologists Talk**". Rachel will receive free registration to the SAMRT Spring Conference!

### Presidents Message - Bashir Jalloh

To my MRT colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that I address you as President of the SAMRT and begin my term of office.

It has been an amazing journey to have served on the SAMRT Council for the past 4 years. I am honored and humbled to be the first African-Canadian to join the long line of volunteers from our respective disciplines and assume the role of President for the members of the SAMRT. Since joining the Council in 2010 I have actively participated in all the affairs of the organization including serving on various committees and as Vice President. I am very lucky to have worked alongside some of the finest Council members, allowing me to gain a clear understanding of the direction that the SAMRT is taking and the implications for our members. I am a Nuclear Medicine Technologist with a BSc from the University of Toronto currently in my final year of a Masters of Public Health program administered by the University of Saskatchewan.

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### Notice of AGM

The Saskatchewan Association of Medical Radiation Technologists Annual General Meeting will take place on

### 2015 SAMRT Council

#### President

Bashir Jalloh

#### Vice President

Jessica Mclean

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Peter Derrick

Allison Adair

Jo-Anne Couture

Katelyn New

Nathan Rosenberg

Donna Schommer

#### Public Representatives

Bonnie Caven

Bruce Richards

Ryan Klassen

#### CAMRT Director

Karen Davis

Friday April 17<sup>th</sup> 2:10 p.m. at the Sheraton Cavalier, Saskatoon SK. The meeting shall include reporting of the Audited Financial Statements, the 2015 Budget, the President's Report and the Executive Director's Report. Materials including the agenda and the rules of order will be available on the SAMRT website 30 days in advance of the meeting.

## **SAMRT Spring Conference April 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Cavalier, Saskatoon, SK.**

### **"From X-Ray Tech to MRT - Serving 75 years"**

The Conference Planning Committee has been hard at work to bring you an excellent line up of speakers for this years' conference. Speakers include:

Bryan Witt - Keynote Address

Dr. Chris Wall - Interventional Radiology

Dr. Rashidi - CT Colonography

Dr. Vijay Kundapur - Curing Cancer and 2nd Malignancy

Dr. Nijjar - Nuclear Medicine

Joanne Tyndall - Total Body Irradiation

Jennifer Layton - Importance of Patient Care to Produce Quality Breast MR Imaging

Dr. Dean Chapman - Medical and Biological Applications of Synchrotron Radiation

Mark Dejong - Isotope Production

[Click here for the Conference Poster](#)

[Click here for Online Registration](#) (registration opens February 1<sup>st</sup>)

The preliminary program will be available soon.

### **Become a Council Member**

It is your opportunity to become involved on Council. The SAMRT Nominations Committee is seeking nominations for three vacancies on Council. These elected Council members will serve a three year term January 1 2016 - December 31 2018.

[Click here for the SAMRT Council Brochure](#)

[Click here for the Nomination Form](#)

## **The SAMRT Office has Moved**

The SAMRT Office has moved and is now located at 202 - 1900 Albert Street Regina, SK. The SAMRT shares office space with the Saskatchewan College of Paramedics (SCoP) and the Saskatchewan College of Respiratory Therapists (SCRT).

## **Annual Membership Audit**

Every year 10% of the membership is audited to provide verification of continuing education credits, practice hours and professional liability insurance. For more information on this audit process [click here](#)

## **Standards/Scope of Practice**

The SAMRT Standards/Scope of Practice project is well underway. In the next couple of weeks, SAMRT members will be asked to complete an electronic survey to gather feedback on the draft Scope/Standards of Practice. Members will earn continuing education credits upon completion of the survey. It is very important that as many members as possible complete the survey to ensure a reliable validation process.

## **Survey of the Public**

The SAMRT Council is conducting a survey to determine the level of satisfaction that the public has in regards to Medical Radiation Technologists safe and ethical practice.

Health care facilities who employ MRT's will receive packages with information regarding the survey. MRT's are being asked to hand out cards to patients who are receiving medical imaging in their facility. These cards will contain information about the survey and a link where individuals from the public can go to complete it. MRT's are being asked to distribute these cards until they are all gone or until March 31 2015,

whichever comes first.

All survey answers will be private and confidential and individuals are not required to leave any personal information on the online survey.

SAMRT Council will be analyzing the results of the survey and a summary report will be published in a future SAMRT newsletter.

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