

2021 SAMRT Council

President: Mary Rafferty

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Scott Mildenerberger

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Ariel Adamson

Finte Adem

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Debbie Schatz

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Regulatory Body



President's Message – Mary Rafferty

Greetings fellow SAMRT members. I hope you are all enjoying the fine weather we are experiencing in Saskatchewan and are getting outdoors after the long days at work. The good news that most of us can get our second vaccination is most welcome, as we strive to keep ourselves and our patients safe.

In April, the SAMRT council had its second virtual meeting for 2021. At that meeting the council set the date for the virtual SAMRT AGM to be on September 11th. Further details will be announced in the coming months. Our Community Engagement Committee has been partaking in a COVID vaccination promotional campaign on Facebook and Instagram, and I encourage you to follow and share those pages with colleagues and friends. Pictures and stories are most welcome.

The Nominating Committee has received several nominations for election to the council and the election process will begin in the next few months. The Awards Committee also received nominations for the Clinical Excellence and Mentorship awards. The award winners will be

The council has also begun work on the revision of the SAMRT governance policies, so that they are aligned with our mandate and to ensure that council and staff are adhering to the policies and procedures in an appropriate manner.

The SAMRT has received questions concerning the CAMRT position statement on gonadal shielding. The best advice for the moment is that there is no change to current practice. However, the statement and practice are being reviewed by the SHA to determine if these changes should be implemented in Saskatchewan. Members were sent a detailed explanation of the SAMRT position which remains unchanged.

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The Annual Report for 2020 is now available on the SAMRT website for your information.

Best wishes,

Mary Rafferty, SAMRT President 2021

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SAMRT AGM

September 11, 2021

Virtual Platform

The SAMRT Council has set the date for the AGM and have also directed that the meeting be virtual.

The format will be like the 2020 AGM and will once again qualify for 2 CE credits.

The agenda, time and additional information will be announced over the summer months.

We encourage all members to register and attend the AGM. It is your chance to learn about the work of the SAMRT and ask questions of Council.

Save the date:
Saturday,
September 11th



COUNCIL ELECTION

The SAMRT has three vacancies on Council for a 3-year term effective January 2022-2024. We are pleased to provide a list of the 7 candidates who have allowed their name to stand. You can preview the biographies included with this newsletter email.



Ariel Adamson, BA, BHSc, RTMR
Finte Adem, MRT
Janis Dodds, RTR
Janelle Hordos, RTT, CTRT
Ifeanyi Nwokocha, RTR
Nathan Rosenberg, RTMR, RTR
Shane Timm, RTR

Electronic ballots will be provided in advance, members can vote between August 23 - September 6, 2021. The results will be announced at the AGM.

CADTH

Canadian Medical Imaging Inventory Service Report Inventory Service Report

This report summarizes information on the use of mobile imaging for the advanced imaging modalities of CT, MRI, and PET-CT. The key objective is to describe the main benefits and challenges to providing mobile imaging services in Canada.

[CMI: Mobile Imaging: The Benefits and Challenges \(cadth.ca\)](#)

Questions about this report?
Contact sksupport@cadth.ca

Thanks to member Christa Bergquist for providing this information to the SAMRT members.

Annual Member Audit Results

Dec. 1, 2019, to Nov. 30, 2020

The SAMRT Continuing Competence Committee met virtually on June 9, 2021, to review audit submissions. Sixty-three members were audited, with all submissions arriving on time, and all were accepted as presented, or have completed remediation to bring the submission in line with requirements. For the first time, members were able to upload their documents to their member portal making submission and review much easier.

In addition to the audit review, the committee also reviewed the audit guidelines, forms, and certificates. Updates will be posted to the website by fall.

Finally, the committee participated in a preliminary discussion to help guide the development of the Jurisprudence Program. This is an important goal in the SAMRT 3-year strategic plan. We look forward to sharing more details about this important project as the plan takes shape.



This comparator chart, adapted with permission of The Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists highlights key differences in the role a regulator plays compared to an association.

Aspect	Regulator (e.g., SAMRT)	Association (e.g., CAMRT)
Mandate	To serve and protect the public, and to act in the public's interest and not in the interest of the members	Acts in the interest of the members of a profession.
Accountability	Is accountable to the public through the provincial government.	Is accountable to its members.
Activities	Sets the Scope and Standards of Practice, Code of Ethics, and qualifications, standards, and tests of competency requirements for the practice of a profession.	Serves and supports its members through education, advocacy, professional liability insurance and member benefits.
Registration vs. membership	Registers members based on legislated criteria. Membership is mandatory to practice.	Accepts members based on association determined criteria. Membership is voluntary.
Permit vs. certification	Issues permits (licenses), which are legally required to practice in the jurisdiction.	Issues certification, which encompasses criteria to enter practice.
Qualifications	Sets registration requirements (education, entry to practice, practice hours, professional liability insurance, requirements of sound character).	Creates and facilitates certification examinations.
Competency profiles	Approves or selects the competency profile(s) for a profession.	Maintains competency profile(s) for a profession.
Life-long learning	Requires members to participate in legislated programs to ensure continuing competence.	Provides members with opportunities for continuing education.
Standards of practice vs. enhancement of practice	Sets legal standards of practice to ensure safe, competent, and ethical service for the public.	Provides opportunities to augment competency for members seeking to expand their practice.
Protected titles vs. credentials	Establishes professional titles protected in legislation that inform the public of authorized practitioners — e.g., RTR, RTT, RTMN or RTMR. Practitioners must use these titles in their practice.	Issues credentials to those who have completed certification requirements — e.g., ACR, CIR, CTIC PET/CT, DCR. Practitioners choose to use these titles in their practice.
Enforcement of standards	Has a legislated complaints and discipline processes in place to address complaints from the public and professional conduct issues.	Provides support to members through offering professional liability insurance (PLI).
Advocacy	Performs no overt advocacy work. It collaborates with government, professionals, and the public to ensure safe, competent and ethical care.	Advocates for the profession to effect changes to service delivery, to develop specialty certificates and to increase public awareness of professional services.
Governance	Governed by a Council with government appointed public representatives and MRTs elected by the membership	Governed by a Board of Directors, elected by eligible members of the association.

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