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President's Message - Scott Mildenberger

Dear Colleagues,

This will be my last president's message as president for 2023. I would like to take a moment to thank some people who make this job a lot easier. First, I would like to thank my fellow council members for electing me as president. I'd also like to thank council for your hard work, dedication, and unique perspectives; we have a great bunch of people on council, and it is my pleasure to serve with you. Thank you to the office staff, especially our ED Debbie, for being so organized and efficient. If I look good as president, it's only because the SAMRT staff is so amazing.

Fall is always a really busy time with the SAMRT. Registration opens mid-October for 2024 membership. We had an in-person council meeting in September, and we'll have a videoconference council meeting in

Work has begun with regards to regulating diagnostic medical sonographers. Two new council members will be on council in 2024 and their onboarding has begun so they are ready to go.

As always, I welcome any feedback, questions, or comments from our membership. Please reach out if you would like to discuss something.

president@SAMRT.org

Respectfully submitted by, Scott Mildenberger, RTNM CTIC PET/CT, SAMRT President

Celebrate MRT Week
November 5 - 11

LICENSE RENEWAL

License renewal is just around the corner!

The renewal period will open on **October 15, 2023**.

- 1. To be eligible for a full practice license, members <u>must</u>:
 - Have practiced a minimum of 1200 MRT practice hours in their primary discipline or 300 MRT practice hours in an additional discipline in the previous five years.
 - Have a minimum of 10 CE Credits; and
 - Hold professional liability insurance.
- Members <u>must</u> declare YES for these three requirements and review the character declarations. *Please read these questions* carefully as you make your declarations.
- If you are taking a leave of absence or retiring, you must still notify the office.
 Remember to complete the resignation form on the member database to ensure you resign in good standing.

Late fees take effect December 1, 2023

DID YOU KNOW?

SAMRT - VISION

The Saskatchewan public has access to safe medical imaging and radiation therapy delivered by highly skilled and valued professionals.

SAMRT - MISSION

To protect the public by demonstrating regulatory excellence of medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals in the province of Saskatchewan.

SAMRT - VALUES

- Integrity
- Transparency
- Professionalism
- Collaboration
- Accountability

THANK YOU!

Ryan Klassen served as a Public Representative on Council from 2015 to 2023.

SAMRT values his many years of commitment and service.



Pictured: Debbie Schatz, Executive Director/Registrar & Ryan Klassen

ANNUAL AUDITS

- Audits are performed annually on 10% of the membership.
- The audit period is December 1 to November 30 (aligns with the same period for licensing renewals).
- There is no set month for the audit to be conducted, but members can expect it to occur in one of the first three calendar months of the year.
- Members are randomly selected and can be selected for audit consecutively.
- As a rule, members are given a six-week window to submit the required documentation.
- The SAMRT website includes a wide range of continuing education opportunities.
- Your choice of continuous learning activities must be related to improving your knowledge, skills, and judgment as a member of the profession. A variety of learning activities may be used to support learning that is relevant to the member's practice.

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHER UPDATE

SAMRT has begun the necessary work to onboard the diagnostic medical sonographer professionals.

- A dedicated page has been added to the SAMRT website (click on About MRIP'S). All relevant information will be hosted on the website so that members and the public can stay informed.
- With the support of Sonography Canada and SADMS, e-mail communication has gone out to the DMS group to call for a volunteer to sit on Council (observer role) and one member to sit on the Professional Conduct Committee (3-yr term) and the Discipline Committee (3-yr term).
- Hired a consultant to work on updating bylaws & scope of practice – target date for completion is fall of 2023.

Key Next Steps:

- Create Sonographers Implementation Committee
- Prepare roadmap for rebranding work
- Develop licensure process for DMS

MRT WEEK BILLBOARDS

Look for billboards promoting MRT Week near (or in the vicinity of) the following locations:

Saskatoon

Idylwyld Dr. N. & 39th St. E. Idylwyld Dr. & 33rd St.

22nd St. F. & Pacific Ave.

Regina

Lewvan Dr. & Dewdney Ave. Sask Dr. & Montague St.

Victoria Ave. & Broad St.

Moose Jaw

Thatcher Dr. & Main St. N.

North Battleford

99th St. & Territorial Dr.

NEW GRADS

Congratulations to all the students that graduated from the Saskatchewan Polytechnic MRT program:

- Dakota Anderson
- Shayla Atkinson
- Makara Bourassa
- Avden Fendelet
- Sara Florence
- Rebecca Giesbrecht
- Mava Golem
- Christina Hayden
- Abbey Kaeding
- Jaelyn Kroeker
- Caitlin Lynch
- Mikenna Lypkie
- Cole MacLean
- Annika Mass
- Maddisyn Polegi
- **Bailey Quibell**
- McKenna Schmidt
- Heidi Simonson
- Summer Stevenson
- Taryn Williams
- Lily Yungmann





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