

**2024 SAMRT
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Kaylyn Grummett

Karla Hiatt (Incoming)

Jessica McLean

Katelyn New

Luke Pelletier

Stacey Reid

Appointed Public**Representatives:**

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Eugene Paquin

CAMRT Director:

Ada Bunko (ends June/24)

Janelle Hordos (as of Jul/24)

SAMRT Staff**Executive Director/Registrar:**

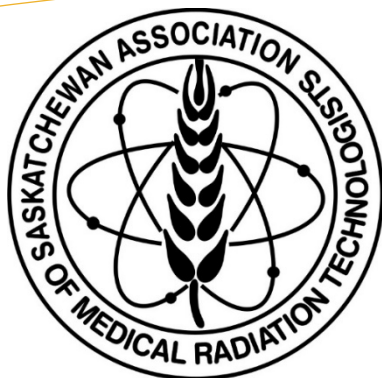
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President's Message – Maeghan Richard

Summer is finally here! Personally, I am looking forward to some family camping at the lake and soaking up some sunshine. I hope each of you get the opportunity to enjoy some beautiful Saskatchewan summer weather.

These last few months have been a busy time at the SAMRT/CMRIPS. In May, we successfully hosted our conference and AGM in Saskatoon. It was an exceptional event filled with insightful presentations. I am sure everyone who attended will agree that our keynote speaker, Kaleb Dahlgren, was truly outstanding.

Not only is July 1st Canada Day, but it also signifies a milestone for the College: we will begin licensing diagnostic medical sonographers (DMS). A warm welcome to the College, sonographers!

This momentous occasion is the culmination of many years of hard work, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for their dedication.

Moving forward, the College's primary focus will be on onboarding DMS, alongside our ongoing transition from SAMRT to CMRIPS.

Once again, I encourage you, as a CMRIPS member, to become involved within the CMRIPS. Your unique perspective and skills would benefit many of our committees.

Feel free to reach out to me at president@samrt.org.

Respectfully submitted by,

Maeghan Richard RTT, BMRSc, HBComm
SAMRT President

****SPREAD THE WORD****

**2024 Licensing for Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
is now open!**

2024 Annual Joint Education Conference & AGM

The 2024 annual joint SAMIM/SAMRT conference was held on May 4, 2024 in Saskatoon. It was a day full of great speakers and lots of opportunity to network with colleagues and visit vendor booths. The morning speakers brought messages of resiliency through a pandemic, advances for MRTs in interventional radiology and mental health in the workplace. Our keynote speaker, Kaleb Dahlgren shared his personal journey to wellness and the importance of teamwork.

Teamwork makes the dream work! Thanks to the amazing Conference Committee for all your hard work as well as the volunteers that helped on conference day.

Sincere thanks to our sponsors who made this conference possible:

Philips Healthcare
 Canon Medical Systems Canada
 Bayer Inc.
 CAMRT
 Sonography Canada
 Ultraray Inc.
 Bracco Imaging
 St. Paul's Hospital Foundation

Door Prize Winners:

Bluetooth Speaker	Gary Kachur
Duffle Bag	Janelle Kish
Collapsible Cooler	Alyssa Riess
Waffle Maker	Tylor Whyte
Solar Lights	Donna Schommer
BBQ Spice Pack	Brittany Sparwood
Water Bottle & Bento Box	Eric Shule
Water Bottle & Stationary	Kristin Matravolgyi

Quick-Study Certificate from CAMRT (drawn during AGM):
 Cheryl Sakowski



Kaleb Dahlgren - Keynote Speaker

AWARDS

Academic Awards of Excellence:

Ayden Fendelet – Radiological Technology
 Jenai Lokken – Magnetic Resonance Imaging
 Leah Hadubiak – Nuclear Medicine



Jenai Lokken – Medical Resonance Imaging



Ayden Fendelet – Radiological Technology

Volunteer Awards

Darin Humphreys – Discipline Committee
 Kevin Lobzun – Professional Conduct Committee
 Dave Steeg – Continuing Competence Committee



Past President, Scott Mildenberger, presenting Darin Humphreys with his certificate.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENTS



DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHER UPDATE

SAMRT continues to complete the necessary work to onboard the diagnostic medical sonographer professionals.

- New regulatory bylaws were approved by the Ministry and took effect May 24, 2024. Communication has been drafted and distributed about the licensing process for the diagnostic medical sonographers.
- A vendor has been selected and work has begun work on logo development. A subcommittee was struck to assist with the rebranding work that is required.
- The license period for the DMS professionals opened on July 1, 2024. Sonographers can contact info@samrt.org with any questions or concerns.

Key Next Steps:

- Process licenses for the DMS professionals.
- Create Sonographers Implementation Committee.
- Work on rebranding projects.

LICENSE FEE INCREASE

At the AGM on May 4, 2024, it was announced that Council has approved an increase in license fees for the 2025 renewal period. An e-mail communication was also sent out to all members on May 13, 2024.

SAMRT has seen a steady increase in costs such as insurance, investigation fees, legal support, and operational costs.

This increase will also help to fund ongoing maintenance and upgrades of the member database as well as provide updated reporting tools needed to meet legislative demands for more in-depth reporting of health professional statistics.

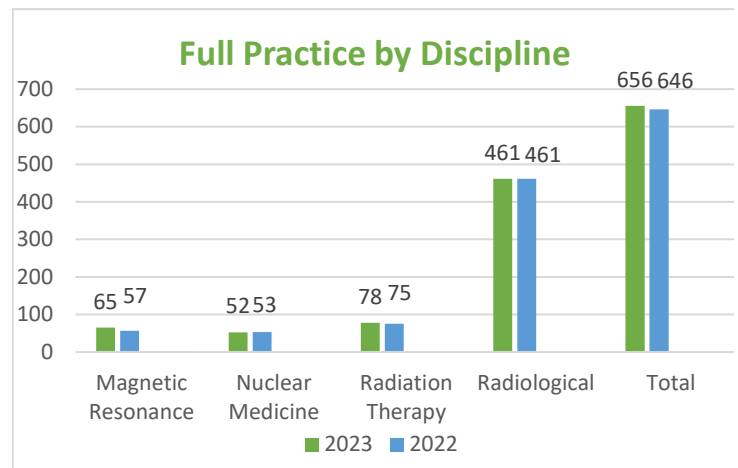
2023 ANNUAL AUDIT

The Continuing Competence Committee met on April 16, 2024 to review the 2023 annual audit submissions. Those members who were selected for audit should have received an e-mail the week of May 13th indicating that their audit submission was approved. If you have not yet received an email, please reach out to Dianne Walker, Manager Competency Assurance and Communications, via email at managercca@samrt.org.

2023 audit highlights:

- 67 members audited
- 8 audits not submitted by the March 15th deadline
- 4 audit submissions required review by the Continuing Competence Committee
- 1 member audit required remediation

DID YOU KNOW?



It's
SUMMER
Time