

REQUIRED COMPETENCIES FORM - 2021

CAMRT board member candidates will be expected to demonstrate the competencies listed below. Please explain how you believe you demonstrate the listed competencies, providing examples when possible.

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Evidence of Leadership in the MRT Profession

With CAMRT through committee or task group work:

As a CAMRT representative on the Canadian Partnership for Quality Radiotherapy; Best Practice Guidelines committee; Journal of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences; CAMRT artificial intelligence professional advisory committee; the planning committee for the Canadian Association of Radiation Oncology; Canadian Organization of Medical Physics and CAMRT joint scientific meeting; and as co-Chair of the CAMRT VSM I have had the opportunity to collaborate with not only, members of the association, but many of its key stakeholders. The collaborative efforts of these committees and roles have provided me with a greater understanding of inter-professional cooperation and the essential role of medical radiation technologists in the execution of pan-Canadian initiatives.

With a Provincial Organization through service on their board or committees:

I have had a number of collaborations with the Ontario Association of Medical Radiation Sciences, being awarded the 2018 Practitioner of the Year. These collaborations have included my subsequent service on the OAMRS awards committee as well as speaking at various OAMRS led Education Days. Most recently, I will be presenting at the OAMRS Virtual Radiation Therapy Symposium 2021, sharing insights into the exciting future of our profession.

Other significant involvement with the profession:

As a member of the RTi3 Radiation Therapy Conference Organization Committee and co-chair for two years, I have had the opportunity to assist in the development of educational offerings for radiation therapists. In addition, through collaborations including the OAMRS and CAMRT we have had the opportunity to extend these offerings to other disciplines within the medical radiation sciences. Participating and playing a leadership role in the organization of the conference has afforded me an understanding of the challenges associated with large-scale initiatives, project management and collaboration.

More recently, collaborating with another venerable CAMRT colleague, I have co-authored the full-length CAMRT course "Artificial Intelligence and its Application in Medical Radiation Technology". This course will guide all MRTs as we face this paradigm shift before us, welcoming this new technology into our practice.

Evidence of Personal Characteristics

Being an effective team player:

Radiation Therapy is a highly collaborative discipline. I have a breadth of experience within the inter-professional arena as a CAMRT representative on the Canadian Partnership for Quality Radiotherapy; and service on the planning committee for the Canadian Association of

Radiation Oncology to name a few. In addition, I have also had the opportunity to participate in a number of inter-professional collaborations at the provincial, regional and local level, which have expanded my appreciation of inter-professional collaboration, maintaining respect for all stakeholders while establishing a nurturing and motivational environment.

Demonstrating mature confidence:

Mature confidence is an element essential to all disciplines of the medical radiation sciences. As a well-rounded radiation therapist. My peers have recognized this attribute in 2018 as I received the Ontario Association of Medical Radiation Sciences Practitioner of the Year Award. In addition, in 2017 I was awarded the CAMRT Steward of the profession award. Finally, in 2017 I was appointed as Lecturer in the Department of Radiation Oncology, at the University of Toronto. These recognitions evidence the attributes of mature confidence.

Using informed judgment:

Evidence based practice is the cornerstone of our profession. Within my previous roles as a practice-based researcher, academic appointment within the University of Toronto, service with the Journal of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences, publications and contributions to a number of education events and conferences, I have been both an advocate, contributor and user of MRT generated evidence. This is most apparent through my participation on the CAMRT Best Practice Guideline committee as we work to guide MRTs of all disciplines to incorporate evidence and sound judgement into practice.

Being able to listen to and weigh different points of view:

Speaking again to my collaborations not only within the practice of radiation therapy but also across the disciplines within the CAMRT there are multiple stakeholders with varied experiences and points of view to which I have been exposed. I believe that not only is this diversity key to successful collaboration but should also be fostered in a way that encourages all members within a team to voice their thoughts and opinions as we strive to advance the profession and quality of care for our patients.

Having a record of integrity/respect:

Within our practice, collaborations and personal lives we come across diverse points of views and attitudes. It is imperative to carry with you a code of conduct that respects these points of view, to learn from them and ensure we do not let our integrity falter. Holding oneself to a standard, ensuring a consistency, whether it be in our interactions and or deliverables is something to which I have a firm commitment.

Evidence of Connection with Members, Preferably From Several Disciplines

Enter examples:

Within the practice of medical radiation technology, I have had the opportunity to collaborate on various projects, which directly benefits MRTs. Collaborations such as the Best Practice Guidelines committee, Artificial intelligence professional advisory committee, the Journal of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences editorial board, and planning the CAMRT virtual scientific meeting. These collaborations have exposed me to the diverse members of our profession and provided me with an understanding of how we as members each play an

essential and cohesive role along the patient's journey. Within the practice of radiation therapy, I have had the opportunity to work closely with the members of the inter-professional care team, locally, provincially, as well as at the pan-Canadian and international levels. Again, this has provided me with an appreciation of the various perspectives within our disciplines and the importance of respectful collaboration.

What Other Knowledge, Competency or Expertise do You Have That You Feel Would Be Beneficial As A Board Member? For Example (Could Include But Is Not Limited To):

Enter examples:

- Advocacy – Through my various roles and collaborations within the CAMRT, CARO, ASRT and ESTRO
- International network with MRTs and affiliated societies (ASRT, ISRRT, SCOR...) – Through my service on committees within ESTRO and presentations and course development for the ASRT and ISRRT.
- Linkages/affiliation with key stakeholders – I serve not only on a number of CAMRT committees but also hold posts with our adjacent care partners.
- Research engagement – Through my affiliation with the University of Toronto, as a research methods course supervisor, member of the JMIRS editorial board and related educational activities at all levels.
- Strategic planning – Within my current role ensuring equitable access to high quality care for all Ontarians
- Policy development – Through my role supporting the Ontario radiation treatment program and provincial initiatives as well as my collaboration with the Canadian Partnership for Quality Radiotherapy and CAMRT Best Practice Guidelines committee.
- Involvement in new/emerging technologies – as evidenced most recently in the development of the full-length CAMRT course “Artificial Intelligence and its Application in Medical Radiation Technology”.