

CSRT News



■ On-line Election – President-Elect

The CSRT has received two nominations for the position of President-Elect – Jessie Cox from Newfoundland and Allan Shemanko from Alberta. Both meet the nomination criteria for the President-Elect position. The President-Elect will start his/her functions at the AGM on May 31, 2013 and will become President at the 2014 Annual Education Conference in Montreal. Only registered members can vote for the President-Elect. An on-line platform is provided to facilitate the election process and to ensure that each member only votes once.

The following is the link to the on-line voting process:

http://www.csrt.com/en/Vote/CSRT_Vote.asp.

Should you be unable to vote on-line, please contact the CSRT Executive Director who will make alternate arrangements for confidential voting at cmenard@csrt.com. The deadline for voting is midnight Feb 28, 2013.

■ CSRT Membership Renewal Under Way!

Renew your membership or join by March 31, 2013 and be entered in a draw to win a **16GB iPad 2.**

Renewals, professional liability insurance and provincial licenses to practice can be

processed online or by printing and submitting a membership form to our office.

Details at: http://www.csrt.com/en/membership/current_members.asp

Revenue Canada requires CSRT charge HST / GST on membership dues

You will notice that CSRT now includes HST / GST on membership dues. Following the 2011 auditor's report, the Board of Directors were informed that the CSRT was contravening Revenue Canada regulations that require that HST / GST be charged on membership dues when more than 30% of dues are used for providing services and programs to the membership. The auditor has established that the CSRT spends more than 30% of its membership income on the provision of services and programs and advised us that we must charge HST / GST on membership dues. We realize the impact this has on the cost of the CSRT membership and we hope that our membership will continue to see the value of our programs and services.

■ SAVE THE DATE! CSRT Education Conference - May 30 – June 1, 2013

We are very proud that so many respiratory therapists participated in the call for presenters process. The CSRT received over 80 abstracts. The CSRT accepted 73 respiratory therapists who will present during the plenary and break-out sessions in general therapeutics, chronic care, critical care, pediatrics/neonates, and anesthesia.

[Online conference registration is now available!](#)

Social Activities

Thursday May 30 - Welcome Reception

Wondering who is attending this year's conference? Come join us in the exhibit hall for some snacks and drinks, walk around the exhibits and talk with our partners, mingle with your colleagues. Not only do our exhibitors have the newest technology and products to share with you, they also have many draws for great prizes! Visiting our exhibitors will also give you the chance to complete a ballot and enter into a draw for complimentary conference registration, accommodation and transportation to the 2014

conference in Montreal, QC. The more exhibitors you visit the more ballots you receive and chances to win!

Friday May 31 - A Night in the Vineyard (sponsored by Roxon medi-tech)

Take advantage of a great networking opportunity with your colleagues at one of Niagara's best known wineries - Jackson Triggs Niagara Estate Winery. Explore the winery and enjoy a light reception of hors d'oeuvres, beverages and music. A wonderful evening in the heart of the vineyard, *tickets are complimentary* and limited to the first 250 conference registrants. Transportation will be provided to and from the host hotel of the conference the Sheraton on the Falls.

Saturday June 1 - President's Banquet and Awards Ceremony

Awards, dinner, and dancing! It's a perfect way to unwind and enjoy the last evening of the conference. Live entertainment will be provided by Electric Blonde. Bring your dancing shoes! Tickets are included with full conference registration. Additional tickets are \$75 +HST.

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Ontario Joint Membership Pilot Project Ends on June 30, 2013

The CSRT Board of Directors and the RTSO Board of Directors have agreed to end the

pilot project for joint CSRT / RTSO membership on July 1, 2013. Ontario RTs who renew their membership with CSRT before June 30, 2013 will benefit from the joint CSRT / RTSO membership until March 31, 2014. This pilot project was implemented in January 2011 with the expectation that more RRTs would see the value of joint membership and would join the CSRT. With increased membership, the CSRT would provide adequate financial support to RTSO from the Ontario membership dues collected. Most importantly, this pilot project aimed to provide Ontario RTs the benefit of programs and services from both their national and provincial professional associations. Unfortunately, we have not seen an increase in Ontario membership to continue supporting this initiative over the long term. A letter has been sent to all members affected by the end of this agreement. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the CSRT Executive Director at cmenard@csrt.com.

Kevin Indergaard – in Memoriam

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Kevin Indergaard of Edmonton AB. Kevin was well known in the respiratory therapy community across Canada. He represented the kind of health professional all RTs strive to be. He was very passionate about his profession and embraced the challenges and benefits in the evolution of respiratory therapy. Kevin was instrumental in the establishment of the Alberta regulatory body and ensured there were adequate standards of care for respiratory therapists and their patients. Kevin also recognized and valued the unique role his national professional association - the CSRT. He maintained his annual membership in the CSRT (Registry Number 914) from the minute he graduated until his passing in December.

The CSRT acknowledges Kevin`s passion for the RT profession, but most importantly, we fondly remember his commitment to excellence in the field of education. The CSRT will make a financial contribution, on behalf of the respiratory therapy profession, to the student scholarship to be created in his name.

Should you wish to make a contribution, scholarship fund donations can be made in the

following ways:

1. Mail cheque to NAIT Department of Advancement / Kevin Indergaard Scholarship, 11762 – 106 St. Edmonton, AB T5G 2R1
2. Online – <https://alumni.nait.ca/sslpage.aspx?pid=294>
3. Phone – Teresa Sikora at 780-471-8407 to donate with credit card.

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What's New at respiratoryresource.ca

Content Updates:

- Critical Care Rehab Course in Baltimore
- IBW sheet.pdf
- Ideal Body Weight Tidal Volume Cards
- IBW sheet handout.pdf
- Apnea test for brain death is it feasible 2010.ppt
- Apnea Presentation2007 1.ppt
- Apnea test revised 2011.pdf
- Respiratory Therapy Apnea Test Sticker4.doc
- Clinical practice guidelines for the use of non-invasive positive-pressure ventilation and non-invasive continuous positive airway pressure in the acute care setting

Discussion Updates:

- Apnea Testing
- Procedural sedation in ED
- Cough Assist Device

US / Canada Reciprocity – an Update

The reciprocity agreement between CSRT and NBRC expired over two years ago. When the agreement was first established in the 1980's the CSRT was the only credentialing body in Canada and the NBRC is the credentialing body in the US. Since that time the profession has become regulated in eight provinces, and each provincial regulatory body has become a credentialing body. Therefore, it was not possible for the CSRT to have a unilateral agreement with the NBRC, unless the eight other credentialing bodies agreed. The CSRT administered a project to determine the extent of similarities and differences between the Canadian and American credentialing process. The study indicates that while the accreditation and exam processes are similar in Canada and the US, the competency profile has significant differences – in the US anesthesia and neonates respiratory care are considered specialty practice. In fact, anesthesia is performed by anesthesia nurses. As such, it was not possible to establish “reciprocity” since American RRTs do not meet the competency requirements by provincial regulatory bodies.

Since the Canadian RRT credential meets all the competency requirements in the United States, the CSRT strategy has been to have the Canadian RRT credential recognized by American state licensing bodies. The CSRT Executive Director and President have met with NBRC, AARC and state licensing authorities. The CSRT will continue to work with the individual state licensing bureaus of bodies. We will keep you posted as to our progress with the recognition of the RRT credential by each individual state. For more information, please contact the CSRT Executive Director at cmenard@csrt.com.

New Fellows of the CSRT

The CSRT wishes to congratulate the following individuals on receiving the CSRT Fellowship designation. The CSRT Board of Directors has confirmed the professional designation of FCSRT in December for the following:

Darcy Andres

Amanda Gibson

Doug Eliingsen

Concetta Martins

CSRT Fellowship Deadline – April 30, 2013

- Applications for the CSRT designation of FCSRT are accepted until April 30, 2013. Criteria, application process and forms can be found at <http://www.csrt.com/en/professional/fellowship.asp>. Applications will be reviewed by the CSRT Board of Directors at the May board meeting.

CoARTE Update

The Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education would like to welcome Nicole Boudreau as the new Senior Administrator Representative. She replaces Michael Sendbuehler from Vanier College, who ended his term early. We thank Michael for his very valuable contribution to the accreditation process, and wish him luck in his future endeavors. Nicole's background is in respiratory therapy. Her current position is as Sectorial Advisor - Health and community services program at CCNB, the French community college in New Brunswick. She is bilingual and has extensive experience in accreditation. She was also the president of the NBART, which brings valuable regulatory experience. The Council believes Nicole will be an asset to the accreditation process.

Winners of CSRT Student Promotions

The CSRT held two student draws as part of the fall student membership promotions. **Angela Miele** of Toronto won the conference prize which includes complimentary

registration to the 2013 conference in Niagara Falls and \$500 that can be used towards travel and conference accommodation.

Sebastien Tessier of Ottawa had his name drawn as the winner of a Kindle Bundle.



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Looking for Accommodations?

The CSRT has secured a limited amount of rooms at a discounted rate for the 2013 conference at the **Sheraton on the Falls** in Niagara Falls, ON. Book early to avoid

disappointment. Rates are *available until April 27th*.

For rates and reservations go

to <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/csrt13>

Sign Up for Specialty Workshops or Congress

The CSRT offers several additional learning opportunities to RTs who have full conference registration. Check off the ones you wish to attend on your registration form.

More details at http://www.csrt.com/en/events/2013_conference.asp

Thursday, May 30, 2013

Leadership Congress	
08:30 – 09:15	Capitalizing on your strengths and manage your weakness – a strength based approach to setting respiratory therapy department goals and strategic directions
09:15 – 10:00	A practice integration program for new staff – creating a culture of mentorship and support
10:15 – 11:00	RT leadership in the frontline
11:00 – 11:45	Current trends in Canadian health systems: how will respiratory therapy respond?
11:45 – 12:30	Protection of the public – whose responsibility is it really?
13:15 – 14:00	Educational outreach to reinforce the augmented role of the RRT during high risk neonatal resuscitation
14:00 – 14:45	Quantitative risk management in respiratory care practice: an overview of the process and its implementation by the University of Alberta RT department
15:00 – 15:45	Writing effective business case for the hospital c-suite
15:45 – 16:30	VCH RRTs: leaning towards excellence
Educator's Congress	
08h00 – 08:30	Educators' networking breakfast /CACERT business meeting

08:30 – 09:15	The amazing race: navigating a quality roadmap in RT education
09:15 – 10:00	Integrating hospital-based customer service approach
10:15 – 11:00	Leveraging the preceptor: a systems approach to improving clinical education
11:00 – 11:45	How does one choose the right candidates to succeed in a respiratory therapy program?
11:45 – 12:30	Simulation for increased training capacity and inter-professional learning
13:15 – 14:00	The physio's do it, the pharmacists do it, should the RTs do it?
14:00 – 14:45	Reality check – finding the right fidelity for respiratory therapy simulation scenarios
15:00 – 15:45	Student retention & success
15:45 – 16:30	Developing inter-professional relationships through competition

Getting Published Workshop

How to prepare and submit a manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal - A full-day workshop*

8:30 to 4:30

This full-day workshop offers respiratory therapists valuable insight into the publication process, from the initial stages of research preparation to submitting a manuscript for publication in a peer-reviewed professional journal. The morning sessions will offer tips on how to prevent and fix problems in your manuscript before submission. This is also an opportunity to learn more about how the review process works in peer-reviewed professional journals.

We wish to extend a special invitation to individuals who are presenting abstracts, papers, or posters at this year's conference to participate in the workshop, with the goal of submitting a manuscript to the CJRT after the conference.

For first time authors, the afternoon sessions will be of particular interest, as we will work to help better define research questions, populations, interventions, comparators, and outcomes of interest to better refine participants' research questions and projects.

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What's New at respiratoryresource.ca

The February 19th Journal Club, hosted by Tom Piraino, had 41 participants who discussed *Dead Space Fraction Changes During PEEP Titration Following Lung Recruitment in Patients With ARDS*. The Journal Club is complimentary to CSRT members and is equal to two CE credits.

Content Updates:

- Spirometry in Primary Care
- Journal Club discussion - *Dead Space Fraction Changes During PEEP Titration Following Lung Recruitment in Patients With ARDS*
- Radial & Femoral Artery Cannulation
- Radial Artery Catheterization
- Arterial Line Insertion.doc



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Election CSRT President-Elect

Jessie Cox has been selected by the membership as the next CSRT President-Elect. Her election will be confirmed during the Annual General Meeting on May 30th. The on-line election process was very effective in ensuring that members were only allowed one vote. The results were tabulated by an independent scrutineer. Jessie is from Newfoundland and has been very active on the provincial level and was instrumental in guiding the Newfoundland RTs towards regulation. It is important to note that every RT in Newfoundland is a member of the CSRT. Jessie has demonstrated her passion for the profession and she will be an excellent member of the Board of Directors.

CSRT Education Conference - Niagara Falls On - May 30 – June 1, 2013

Early Bird Registration – Deadline April 15.

Register for the conference by April 15 and have your name entered for a draw for an **Apple iPod Touch** (16GB / 4th generation). Register online at:

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Conference Preliminary Program

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CSRT Annual General Meeting

The CSRT Annual General Business Meeting will take place on Thursday, May 30, 2013, 4:30 to 5:30, in Great Room C at the Sheraton on the Falls, Niagara Falls, ON. Current Registered/Honourary Members of the Society, in good standing, are entitled to vote in person at the meeting or by appointment of a proxy. If you are unable to attend, you may complete a proxy form and return by mail or fax to the CSRT office by May 24, 2013, at 3PM. Forms are available at

http://www.csrt.com/en/about/board_directors.asp

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Pre- Conference Workshop – Limited to 30 participants

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- A full-day workshop for delegates with full conference registration

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Bring your laptop for the afternoon session. You will be getting a hands-on session on conducting internet research searches.

Check off “Getting Published” on your registration form or contact rhansen@csrt.com to reserve your spot.

Product Information Sessions at Conference

Please join our industry partners for informative product information sessions Friday, May 31 from 1:15 to 2:00PM

BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM CANADA LTD.

Setting the COPD patient up for success... Early intervention with the appropriate counseling, treatment and follow-up
Andrew McIvor, MD, MSc, FRCP(C)

CARESTREAM MEDICAL LTD.

Lung protection strategies
John Malone, RRT

DEVILBISS HEALTHCARE

Making Sense of the Sleep Interface Market
Heather Murgatroyd, BA, RRT

HOLLISTER LTD.

Best Practices in ET Tube Securement Devices

MASIMO CANADA ULC

Measure-through Motion and Low Perfusion Masimo SET® pulse oximetry

Greg Kalonomos BSc, RRT, RSPGT

■ CSRT / CAREstream Student Excellence Award



The CSRT is proud to partner with CAREstream Medical Ltd., to provide recognition to students in the 22 educational programs across Canada. This award is to recognize students in each respiratory therapy program (accredited through the Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education) who have successfully completed the certification exam and have made a substantial achievement as a student. The winners receive an award at the President's Banquet during the CSRT annual Education Conference. The Award consists of:

- Cash prize in the amount of \$500
- A certificate of excellence
- CSRT membership dues for one year (April to March)
- Complimentary registration to conference and ticket to the President's banquet
- Financial assistance for accommodations at the conference

CAREstream Medical Ltd. is committed to supporting excellence in respiratory care and their support and sponsorship of this award helps to highlight the achievements of students who will become leaders in advancing the profession in the future. Selection of winners is made in consultation with each education program.

■ What's New at respiratoryresource.ca

Content Updates:

- March 18 Journal Club Presentation available - High Frequency Oscillation in Early ARDS
- Neuromuscular blocking agents in acute respiratory distress syndrome: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized
- Early airway pressure release ventilation prevents ARDS -A novel preventive approach to lung injury

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Online Credit Course on COPD

The online course - **Life with COPD Supporting Adherence and Effective Self-Management** is now available by logging on at <http://www.advancingin.com/>

Learning Objectives

1. Highlight the clinical advantages of diagnosing COPD in its earlier stages, and recognize and identify the risk factors for COPD and their influence on the use of spirometry in a specified population.
2. Explain the rationale for earlier diagnosis and intervention in the younger patient population (aged ≤ 50 years). Recognize the potential benefits of pharmacologic treatment in younger COPD patients.
3. Identify a case of COPD based on symptom presentation, physical examination and laboratory investigation.
4. Outline a treatment strategy for earlier diagnosis of COPD based on the Canadian Thoracic Society (CTS) Guidelines and new trial data for treatment of GOLD Stage I, II & III COPD.
5. Establish disease management steps that will help prevent acute exacerbations.

This one-hour course has been developed by Boehringer Ingelheim and is worth 1 CE credit.

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■ **Canadian Paediatric Adverse Events Study**

Over 9% of children admitted to acute care hospitals in Canada experience harm caused by healthcare management, leading to death, disability, prolonged hospital stay, or readmission. These data are new and unique, and represent the results of the recently completed Canadian Paediatric Adverse Events Study (CPAES), the first national study of its kind conducted to examine the problem of paediatric patient safety. As per the results of the 2004 Baker-Norton Canadian Adverse Events Study, the CPAES data tell us that it is not just adults who are vulnerable to healthcare associated harm, but children hospitalized in the acute healthcare system in Canada are vulnerable as well. As children cannot advocate for their own safe care, paediatric practitioners and decision makers alike must be cognizant of the various hazards in paediatric healthcare in order to focus attention and channel resources toward the necessary system improvements.

Details at <http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/>

■ **Queens University Presents Human Factors Workshop - April 19-21, 2013**

The Master of Science in Healthcare Quality program [MSc(HQ)] at Queen's University,

is working to improve the availability of healthcare quality, risk and safety education. We have developed a series of three day, face to face certificate workshops that will provide students with evidenced based practice and cutting edge information on the latest developments in a variety of topics. Students who enroll in these intensive three day certificate programs will be exposed to information on the latest advances in quality, risk and safety, from the same professors who deliver our graduate program.

For more information visit www.hqrs.queensu.ca

Connecting the Dots - Free Workshop for RTs - April 30, 2013

Hilton Garden Inn, Toronto Airport, 3311 Caroga Drive
Mississauga, ON L4V 1A3

Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Breakfast and lunch provided

Modules include:

Overlap Syndrome: The Connection Between OSA and COPD

Review diagnosis and treatment of OSA and COPD as separate conditions and how to address when they occur together in Overlap Syndrome.

Wake Up to the Workplace Effects of SDB

Review and define causes, diagnosis and corrective actions of sleep deprivation issues related to Sleep Disordered Breathing.

Sleep From the Inside Out

Discuss the diagnosis, management and relationship of diabetes, hormone abnormalities and inflammation in the patient with OSA.

Making Sense of the Interface Market

Identify the various interfaces available, when and how to use each, and understand

leak. Hands-on session with a variety of interfaces to gain a clearer understanding of the benefits and limitations of each.

For more information, contact: Todd Miller, Account Manager, 647.308.4919

To register go to - www.devilbissclinicaleducation.com



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CSRT Blueprint of the Profession

As a first step towards the development of a blueprint for the profession, the CSRT requested the input of respiratory therapists through an online survey. The response to the blueprint survey was huge. This is a great beginning as the roadmap to plan future CSRT services and programs. As well it helps to ensure there is adequate support for the profession as it continues its evolution.

The CSRT is very appreciative of the time respondents took to answer the survey and provide insights into trends and potential developments in the way RTs practice their profession. There was a random draw for a iPod Touch 16GB. The winner was Suzanne Bainbridge of Fort McMurray, AB.

CJRT Goes Online for Authors' Submissions

CJRT has transitioned to an online manuscript submission system for authors. This is part of the evolution of the journal that will include a publication model that will see articles gain more exposure through various data bases and outlets.

Authors are encourage to submit their papers at:

http://system.pulsustrack.com/Frm_Login.aspx?jnlKy=14

CSRT / IKARIA 2013 SCHOLARSHIPS

The selection of the recipients of the CSRT / IKARIA 2013 scholarships was completed by the Board of Directors. The scholarships are possible through education grants received from IKARIA Canada Inc. who provided funding for four \$2,500 scholarships. A record number of high-quality applications were received. To ensure that the selection process was as fair and objective as possible, a selection grid was developed and each candidate was evaluated independently by each Board member.

The 2013 recipients selected are:

- **Liz Jolley, BC**
- **Dilshad Moosa, ON**
- **Lily Yang, ON**
- **Justin Sorge, BC**

CSRT Membership Draw Winner

Koree Eve Nelson-Mills of St. Albert, AB won the membership draw for renewing her 2013-2014 membership before the March 31st deadline. Congratulations to Koree who will receive an iPad2.

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Winner of Conference Early Bird Draw

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What's New at Respiratoryresource.ca

- Now available - Slides and audio for webinar *Non-Invasive Ventilation Part Two: Patient Selection*
- **Next complimentary Journal Club – May 6, 2013 at 3PM EST**
High-Frequency Oscillation for Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (OSCAR trial)
To register click <http://www.respiratoryresource.ca/journal-club-resgistration/>

Up Date on Campus OPIQ

The CSRT, in partnership with the Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec (OPIQ) continues to offer members access to the Campus OPIQ. This virtual educational site supports respiratory therapists in the maintenance of their skills in an ever-changing clinical environment.

CE activities at the Campus OPIQ

The Campus OPIQ offers 34 continuing education (CE) activities online:

- 36 CE activities in French
- 7 CE activities in English (+ 2 CE activities coming soon)

Targeting adult, pediatric as well as neonatal clinical practice, themes offered are:

- Pharmacology;
- Charting notes to medical file;
- Anesthesia assistance: ultrasound for regional anesthesia, obstetrical emergencies, lung transplant;
- Diagnostic testing: lung clearing index;
- Critical care, arrhythmias, transfusion related acute lung injury (TRALI), difficult intubation;
- Sleep lab, polysomnography, complex sleep apnea;
- Patient's evaluation, pulmonary auscultation, interpreting blood test results (ABG, CBC, etc.);
- Several directed reading articles (some in English), published in the OPIQ's journal *l'inhalo*, are also proposed online.

Access to Campus OPIQ

- Same price per activity than the OPIQ's members;
- Anywhere and anytime where Internet is available (high speed Internet is strongly recommended);
- Unlimited access (24/24 – 7/7).

NOTE: once completed, you may review the content of an activity as often as needed (no time limit).

For information or registration, please visit the CSRT home page at <http://www.csrt.com>.

Reporting Adverse Reactions to Health Canada

Health Canada has requested that healthcare workers assist in efforts to recognize and

report serious and unexpected adverse reactions. RTs can help improve the safe use of health products for patients by reporting adverse reactions to Health Canada. These reports may contribute to the identification of previously unrecognized rare or serious adverse reactions and changes in product safety information.

There are three ways to report:

1. Online at www.health.gc.ca/medeffect
2. By calling 1-866-234-2345
3. By completing an adverse reaction reporting form which can send by mail, or fax to 1-866-678-6789.

For additional information and more ways to stay informed on new health product safety - visit: www.health.gc.ca/medeffect

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National Board of Respiratory Care Recognizes CSRT RRT Credential

At its April 27th meeting, the NBRC Board of Directors approved a new admission route for the Certification Examination for Entry Level Respiratory Therapists (CRT). Individuals who hold the CSRT RRT credential are now eligible to sit for the NBRC's CRT Examination. If successful on the CRT Examination, they may continue through on to the RRT Examination process. This is not a renewal of the reciprocity agreement between NBRC and CSRT which expired in April 2009. The CSRT has worked very closely with the AARC and NBRC to get recognition of the CSRT RRT credential. American RRTs who want to work in Canada will not automatically have access to CBRC exam and must complete the assessment process established by individual provincial regulatory bodies.

RT Week October 27 to November 2, 2013

RT Week is closer than you think! The CSRT encourages you to lead or take part in educational activities during the Week. Consider hosting a Journal Club through the respiratoryresource section on the CSRT website or organize rounds and invite other professionals to participate during RT Week. Details on how to take part in a Journal Club can be found here <http://www.respiratoryresource.ca/journal-club/>. As in previous years, the CSRT will provide posters, brochures and banners, but due to budgetary constraints these will be the only complimentary items available.

CSRT Endorses Guide to Extreme Heat Events

The CSRT has endorsed the Ontario College of Family Physicians e-module entitled "Health Care Workers Guide to Extreme Heat Events". This module is an adaptation of Health Canada's "Extreme Heat Events Guidelines: User Guide for Health Care Workers and Health Administrators".

As the incidence of heat events increases in Canada and abroad, health care providers are key in promoting actions that can contribute to reduce heat illnesses and risks. The module focuses on providing:

1. information regarding human health risk factors associated with heat events;
2. guidelines on how to assess individuals at risk;
3. educational resources and fact sheets to promote effective preparedness.

Details on the module are currently available at:

<http://machealth.ca/programs/ehe/default.aspx>.

What's New at Respiratoryresource.ca

- The May 6, 2013 Journal Club notes and slides are now available. The topic was “High-Frequency Oscillation for Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (OSCAR trial)” New England Journal of Medicine January 2013. Over 28 individuals participated in the live event.

McMaster University Degree Program in Health Management

McMaster University offers an on-line Master program, directed to healthcare professionals who are seeking to assume or have assumed a leadership role in a variety of healthcare sectors. Graduates of the program will demonstrate new knowledge and skills in communication, political and healthcare environments, organizational behaviour and human resources management, research awareness and leadership. This on-line, part-time, course based degree fits easily into an individual's lifestyle. For details, visit www.machealthmanagement.ca.

The CBRC is looking for all past Board and EDRC Members

The Canadian Board for Respiratory Care (CBRC) originated in 1989. At the annual CSRT Education Conference and Trade Show, the CBRC will be celebrating its 25th anniversary. We would like to invite all past members of the CBRC Board and Examination Development and Review Committee (EDRC) to drop by our hospitality

room and celebrate with the present CBRC Board of Directors and Examination Development and Review Committee (EDRC). Please email us at cbrc@cbrc.ca so that we can forward you an invitation with full details and plan for your attendance. Julie Brown, Board of Directors Chair.



■ **Updates and Summarys on Avian Influenza (H7N9)**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a monthly update on human infections from H7N9. The Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report can be accessed under Publications found through <http://www.cdc.gov/>



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CSRT Board of Directors 2013-2014

Executive Committee	BoD Profile / Perspectives
Angela Coxe (Ontario) Jessie Cox (Newfoundland) Adam Buettner (Saskatchewan)	President and Leadership perspective President-Elect Treasurer and Pediatric / Neonatal perspective
Directors at large	
Louis-Phillip Belle-Isle (Québec) Chantale Blanchard (Prince Edward Island) Barbara MacDonald (Nova Scotia) Susan Martin (Ontario) David Sheets (British Columbia) Jeff Dionne (Ontario) Edouard Saadé (New Brunswick)	Quebec perspective Non-regulated jurisdictions perspective Educators and Maritimes perspective Industry perspective Anesthesia Assistant and Western Canada perspective Critical care and Ontario perspective Student Representative (non-voting)

2013 Fellows of the CSRT

The CSRT Board of Directors has confirmed the professional designation of Fellow of the CSRT (FCSRT) for the following:

Juanita Davis – Alberta Patrick Litwin – Alberta	Jennifer Samarin – Ontario Kari White – Ontario
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2013 CSRT Education Conference and Trade Show

Conference photos are now posted at

http://www.csrt.com/en/events/2013_conference.asp

The Niagara Falls CSRT Education Conference was a record-breaking success with over 600 delegates in attendance. All preconference events were filled to capacity and the educational sessions over the three days were well attended. The social and networking events were extremely popular as well.

Twenty three excellent posters were presented, making the judging that much more difficult. The winning RT poster was by Brooke Read, RRT, of Ontario for “*Evaluation of a Practice Guideline for the Management of Respiratory Distress Syndrome in Preterm Infants*”. Special mention goes to RRT Paula Cripps-McMartin of Ontario for her presentation “Evaluating the Effect of Endotracheal Tubes Extending Beyond the Mouth/Nares on Unplanned Extubation in Ventilated Patients in ICU”.

Oliver Poole, from Dalhousie University won the Best Student RT poster “Initial Ventilation Settings After Emergent Endotracheal Intubation: A Retrospective Analysis” with a special mention to the poster “Cerebral Oximetry Monitoring in Clinical Practice vs. Standard Monitoring Techniques in Prevention of Adverse Outcomes” by Emily Smolinski, University of Manitoba School of Medical Rehabilitation. Dr. Peter Papadakos, CJRT Editorial Board member, provided and presented the \$500.00 for the

best RT Student Poster Award. Both students – Oliver and Emily – received the text book “Mechanical Ventilation – Clinical Applications and Pathophysiology”; Papadakos & Lachmann.

CSRT PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

2013 Colya Kaminiarz Professional Achievement and Knowledge Award

Sponsored by Praxair

Amy Reid is the recipient of this year’s award. She has worked tirelessly for ten years as editor-in-chief of the Canadian Journal of Respiratory Therapy. She was instrumental in transitioning the journal from an information sharing magazine to a knowledge dissemination professional journal. Amy has consistently demonstrated leadership in respiratory therapy throughout her career. In presenting this award to Amy Reid, the CSRT and its members acknowledge her efforts to improve the CJRT have contributed to the advancement of your profession.

CSRT President’s Award - 2013 Winner

Sponsored by Trudell Medical Marketing Limited

The CSRT President, Angela Coxe, recognized CSRT Executive Director, Christiane Ménard as the CSRT President’s Award Winner, for her support and encouragement during her tenure as President of the Society.

CSRT Student Achievement Awards 2012

The CSRT Student Achievement awards are given to the CSRT student members who achieve the highest result on the CBRC exam. Only CSRT student members are eligible for this award. This year’s winners are:

2013 CSRT Student Achievement Award Winners

GOLD - *Yin Bia* – The Michener Institute

SILVER - *Michael Parfitt* – Thompson Rivers University

BRONZE - *Madeleine Bégin* – La Cité Collegiale

CSRT / CAREstream Student Excellence Award Winners

The CSRT is proud to partner with CAREstream Medical Ltd., to provide recognition to students in the 22 educational programs across Canada. This award is to recognize students in each respiratory therapy program (accredited through the Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education) who have successfully completed the certification exam and have made a substantial achievement as a student. The winners received their awards at the President's Banquet during the CSRT annual Education Conference in Niagara Falls.

Newfoundland

Christine King - College of the North Atlantic
Alanoud Al Marri - College of the North Atlantic – Satellite program Qatar

Nova Scotia

Melissa Parke - QEII/Dalhousie School of Health Sciences

New Brunswick

Nicole Cook - New Brunswick Community College - Saint John
Monique Richard - Collège Communautaire du Nouveau-Brunswick

Quebec

Phillip Bélanger - Collège de Rosemont
Mathieu Belzile - Cégep de Sherbrooke
Mélissa Desrochers - Cégep de Ste-Foy
Josiane Hamelin-Martel - Collège Ellis
Mélanie Tremblay - Cégep de Chicoutimi
Eugeni Schvarzman - Vanier College
David Paquette - Collège de l'Outaouais

Ontario

Kerri Haynes - Algonquin College
Peter Popkie - Canadore College
Amy-Lynn Tremblay - Fanshawe College
Emily Geerts - Conestoga College
Roger Correia - The Michener Institute
Marie Le - La Cité collégiale

Manitoba

Bryce Weedmark - University of Manitoba-School of Medical Rehabilitation

Alberta

Rolaine Bu - Northern Alberta Institute of Technology
Jennifer Jackson - Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

British Columbia
Mike Parfitt - Thompson Rivers University

New Honorary CSRT Member

The CSRT Board of directors has awarded the Honorary Life Membership to Dr. Christian Soder, for meritorious service to the CSRT and dedication to the profession. Dr. Soder is currently an intensivist in Nova Scotia, and has also made some large contributions at the CBRC. In his role as medical director, Dr. Soder has supported RT advancement in the RT scope of practice and their professional development into advanced care areas. As a result, RTs are recognized leaders in their health centre. He is a pillar of the RT profession.

Airway Olympics Challenge

Fanshawe graduates Sameer Mohamed and Joanne Top were the winners. Both work at Lakeridge Health Oshawa. Their prize includes transportation, accommodation and complimentary registration for the 2014 CSRT Conference in Montreal.

Draw Winners

The winner of the AGM door prize of a Kobo reader was CSRT member Andrea Walkau of Ontario.

Thuy Mai of British Columbia won the docking station supplied by Phillips Healthcare. John Trail of Ontario was the winner of the Exhibitor Draw for transportation, accommodation and complementary registration at the CSRT Conference in Montreal in 2014.

What's New at Respiratoryresource.ca

- Slides from Journal Club, June 17 – “Prone Positioning in Severe Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome”; New England Journal of Medicine May 2013

- Presentation slides “Individualized Mechanical Ventilation for the ARDS Patient (CSRT Lecture 2013)

Canadian Healthcare Association Online Learning

The professional development branch of the Canadian Healthcare Association provides a learning vehicle for those already working within healthcare - flexible part-time studies that allow students to learn online wherever and whenever... while continuing to work and maintain their personal and professional lives.

CHA Learning has a program that includes studies in:

- Health Management
- Health Information Management
- Quality and Safety
- Food Service and Nutrition Management
- Governance Development
- Long-Term Care

Course details at **CHA's 2013 Learning Catalogue** For further details visit www.cha.ca/learning

Health Indicators 2013 Report from CIHI

This year's report provides an overview of the joint CIHI–Statistics Canada Health Indicators reporting project and describes CIHI's new program of work in health system performance reporting. This publication contains the most recently available health indicators data and features a What's New section that highlights the expanded reporting of health indicators by socio-economic status. Please click here to access the report.

Concurrently with the release of the Health Indicators 2013 publication, CIHI and

Statistics Canada updated the Health Indicators e-publication with the most recent data available. The e-publication can be found on the CIHI (www.cihi.ca) and Statistics Canada (www.statcan.gc.ca) web sites.

McMaster Degree Program in Health Management

Bridge the gap between Health Professional and Health Management at McMaster University with a part-time, online Master degree.

Current regulated health professionals are required to respond to unique leadership demands and aspire to assume leadership roles in a variety of health care sectors. Gain the knowledge and skills to move into and excel in health management roles while enhancing your understanding of health care system design and policy analysis. Enroll in McMaster's Master of Health Management program and be part of the university that pioneered problem-based and online learning for health professionals. Enhance your adaptability to changing career environments, with the flexibility of a part-time, primarily online degree that will not conflict with your full-time employment. Visit www.machealthmanagement.com. Master of Health Management students are granted advanced standing towards earning the Certified Health Executive (CHE) designation. Application deadline for Fall 2014 is January 27, 2014.

New Online Master of Respiratory Care Program

Loma Linda University is launching its new Master of Respiratory Care Program September 2013. Applications are now being accepted. This program is all online with excellent support personnel to facilitate projects and research. This program is open to students around the globe.

Details at <http://www.llu.edu/allied-health/sahp/cardio/rcmasters.page?>

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2013 Speaker Presentations Now Available

Speakers' presentations from the 2013 Conference in Niagara Falls, are now posted on the CSRT website at http://www.csrt.com/en/events/session_2013.asp

A gallery of photographs from the 2013 conference is also available at:
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■ Two NEW Volunteer Positions Are Available on CoARTE!

Do You Want To Be Part Of A Council That Ensures Quality Education For Our Future Respiratory Therapists?

The Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education (CoARTE) is growing. To meet the needs of this committee, the Board of Directors of the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists has approved two additional volunteer positions on the council.

CoARTE accreditation provides a tool to assist respiratory therapy schools and regulatory bodies in assuring the public that the national educational standards for entry-level respiratory therapy have been met. CoARTE is a committee of the CSRT and is a decision-making body that functions within the by-laws and policies established by the CSRT Board of Directors.

If YOU would like to know more, please click on the link

<http://www.csrt.com/en/coarte/index.asp> to see the recruitment poster.

■ What's New at [Respiratoryresource.ca](http://www.respiratoryresource.ca)

EDUCATION CREDITS FOR PAST JOURNAL CLUB VIEWING

Some of the more recent Journal Club presentations are now eligible to receive 1 Continuing Education Credit. Simply click the link to view the presentation, it will ask you for your name and email. The viewers' log will be checked regularly and a certificate

will be issued. To receive your certificate in a more timely fashion – contact the moderator through this link:

<http://respiratoryresource.squarespace.com/contact/>

- Capnography in Critical Care – Cardinal Health Case Studies
- Capnography – Catalogue of Guidelines

RT News on CSRT Website

In case you have missed some of the latest RT news posted at

http://www.csrt.com/en/publications/RT_news.asp, recent additions include:

- **Policy Considerations in Organ Donation after Circulatory Determination of Death**
- **Annual Report Card on Cancer in Canada**
- **Smokers Have Early Cell Damage Which Destroys Necessary Genetic Programming**

University of Manitoba School of Medical Rehabilitation Homecoming

Mark it on your calendar - September 27

The School of Medical Rehabilitation will be hosting a Homecoming reception on Sept. 27, 2013 - so hold the date! The classes of 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003 and 2008, and the alumni-to-be, the class of 2014 are invited to attend. For more information please contact Norma Alexander at

Norma.Alexander@med.umanitoba.ca or 204 975-7735.

Online Credit Course on Allergic Rhinitis

Program: Patient Adherence in Asthma: Effective Everyday Strategies

Watch our discussion panel of experts throughout this program as they discuss key issues in the management of asthma. Their discussion aims to identify ways of

enhancing patient adherence in the management of asthma, as well as ways of identifying non-adherence, understanding why it happens, and how healthcare professionals in their various roles can help support patient adherence for improved outcomes in the management of asthma.

Learning Objectives:

1. Identifying the goals of asthma management in primary care and the risks of suboptimal control
2. Counsel patients for improved understanding of their therapy, the importance of adherence, and how best to communicate with their physicians and healthcare providers
3. Effectively manage asthma in accordance with clinical practice guidelines
4. Describe the therapeutic classes of medications used in the treatment of asthma

Details can be found at http://www.mdbriefcase.com/Login.aspx?target_url=%2fapps%2fprogramviewer%2fdefault.aspx%3fprogram_id%3d1396

Program: Lessening the Impact of Allergic Rhinitis in your Patients

Watch our discussion panel of experts throughout this program as they discuss key issues in the management of allergic rhinitis. Their discussion aims to identify ways of enhancing patient adherence in the management of allergic rhinitis, as well as ways of identifying non-adherence, understanding why it happens, and how healthcare professionals in their various roles can help support patient adherence for improved outcomes in the management of allergic rhinitis and related respiratory conditions.

Learning Objectives:

1. Describe the prevalence and burden of allergic rhinitis including the impact on quality of life
2. Recognize the symptoms of allergic rhinitis


3. Conduct a proper nasal examination
4. Describe the factors involved in differential diagnosis
5. Manage allergic rhinitis effectively based on disease severity, in accordance with clinical practice guidelines

For details please visit: <http://www.mdbriefcase.com/p-allergic-rhinitis.aspx?section=mp>



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submission is October 15, 2013.

Details at: http://www.csrt.com/en/events/2014_conference.asp

Win Prizes With CSRT Student Membership Promotion

Once again the CRST is offering students a special membership promotion that will run until December 13, 2013. The school with the highest percentage of students who join the CSRT, wins a free lunch for its students (maximum cost \$300) during RT Week (October 27 – November 2).

Also there are two prizes for two individual students to win!

- **First place student draw:**

Any student who joins between July 15 – December 13, 2013 will be entered in a draw to win complimentary registration and \$500 to use towards travel or accommodation for the 2014 CSRT conference in Montreal, Quebec.

- **Second place student draw:**

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■ **Obtain CRE or CAE Online Through Health eLearning**

RTs now have access to these courses that can be completed totally online (and are accredited by the Canadian Network for Respiratory Care). They take approximately 35 hours to complete, but participants can complete the programs at their own speed. They do involve some demonstration objectives which can be completed by Skype or Facetime with an adjudicator at a mutually convenient time, or by recording and sending in the demonstration videos on a USB stick.

Details at: www.healthlearning.ca

■ **AdvancingIn Offering Free Education Programs**

AdvancingIn – Canada's leading provider of free, accredited online CME

AdvancingIn offers more than 100 programs each year to a membership of over 90,000 healthcare professionals.

Registration is completely free, and instantly grants you access to a wide variety of courses, including **Early Intervention of COPD: The Benefits of Reduced Exacerbations and Improved Quality of Life**, all of which can be accessed on the go via our mobile and tablet friendly sites.

The industry-leading programs are packed with videos, opportunities to test yourself, and other interactive elements that enhance your learning experience and keep you engaged.

In addition to our core educational programs, we offer an array of newsletters and resource centres that focus on specific topics with discussion boards that connect you to a diverse community of healthcare professionals. We are always interested in hearing

from our members on what subjects you want us to tackle next, rewarding those who provide feedback with an honorarium.

Sign up today for full access to this breathtaking amount of educational content! Registration takes two minutes, and five randomly selected CSRT registrants will win a \$25 Starbucks gift card!

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<http://www.respiratoryresource.ca/contact/>

Here's what's new at respiratoryresource:

- Files now available for the Journal Club Meeting, Monday September 23, 2013 at 3PM EDT, Mechanical Ventilation-Induced Reverse-Triggered Breaths - CHEST April 2013
- Official Respiratory Resource Youtube channel available through respiratoryresource at:
<http://www.respiratoryresource.ca/blog/2013/9/10/respiratory-resource-youtube-channel.html>

■ CBRC Examination Application Deadline

The deadline to apply to write the *January 4, 2014* national exam is **November 15, 2013**.

For details, please visit www.cbrc.ca/

■ CAA Discounts with CSRT Membership

With the fall and winter weather fast approaching CSRT members might want to check out new CAA memberships at preferred rates. These rates are only available through the contact below.

Bill Bousada

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(613) 820-1895 ext 6394

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(613) 293-8493 cell

wbousada@caaneo.on.ca

www.caaneo.ca

■ Complementary Online Statistics Course

Coursera is offering a massive open online course (MOOC) for those interested in research or quality improvement projects. The course is being presented by Andrew Conway, a professor at Princeton University. It's a great opportunity to pick up some of

the basics. Details at: <https://www.coursera.org/course/stats1>

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Like Us on Facebook & Follow Us on Twitter!

 The CSRT has now added two new platforms to connect, collaborate and share with RTs nationally and internationally!

Follow us on Twitter at https://twitter.com/@CSRT_tweets. We invite you to join us and get instant up-to-date information!

 Our new Facebook page is - <https://www.facebook.com/csrt.sctr>. It will help you stay connected with fellow RTs – come on and like us! We are always looking for new opportunities to engage our members and reach out to respiratory therapists in all jurisdictions. *Like us and follow us*, as we explore more ways to share information and stay connected!

New Position Statement – Mechanical Ventilation

The CSRT has issued a new position statement on *The Respiratory Therapist's Role in Mechanical Ventilation*. The CSRT strongly advocates for the involvement of a respiratory therapist in all therapeutic interventions pertaining to mechanical ventilation to optimize patient care, safety and best practice outcomes. In the interest of patient safety, the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists recommends that all

health care organizations ensure that a respiratory therapist is available at all times to manage interventions pertaining to mechanical ventilation. Details at: http://www.csrt.com/en/professional/position_statements.asp

■ **New National Student Contest - *Making Way For Future RTs***

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the profession in 2014, the CSRT and OPIQ invite students to take part in a national contest - “*Making way for future RTs*”! Students are challenged to present a creative respiratory therapy project to their peers. It does not have to be a research project, but must be evidence-based science. Students are encouraged to think outside the box. Spread the word! Students could win a trip to the conference in Montreal and some prize money too!

Covidien has provided an educational grant to help pay for costs of program, including three cash prizes: \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. There is also the possibility of an additional \$2,000 in prize money. Deadline is January 15, 2014.

Details and entry forms at: <http://www.csrt.com/en/events/index.asp>

■ **Respiratory Therapists Week**

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NBCC Wins CSRT Student Membership Drive

Congratulations to all the students who joined the CSRT! The school who had the highest percentage of students join the CSRT between July 15 – October 21 - was New Brunswick Community College! They had 19 students join out of a total of 52 in the program which is roughly 36.5% overall. Students and staff will receive a complimentary lunch during RT Week.

Second place was Michener with 26% of students joining (33 in total). The school with the largest number of students joining was Fanshawe - with 36 students - however since their program has a total of 153 students they came up short with an overall average with 23.5%. This challenge is another CSRT initiative to encourage students to become involved in their profession!

What's New at respiratoryresource.ca

Content Updates

- Powerpoint presentation – *Quality Assurance Puritan Bennett 840: Hazards/Warnings/Recalls*

Journal Club

Now available:

- The presentation from September 23, 2013 - *Mechanical Ventilation-Induced Reversed-Triggered Breaths*.
- The presentation from Tuesday, October 29 - A Year In Review (a review of this year's journal club articles);

Educational credits are available for both Journal Clubs.

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International Congress on Pediatric Pulmonology

The **13th International Congress on Pediatric Pulmonology (CIPP XIII)** will take place in Bruges, Belgium from June 26-29, 2014. As the only global congress entirely devoted to Pediatric Pulmonology, CIPP XIII offers a unique opportunity for state-of-the-art reviews of advances in this field, debates on controversial issues, unique clinical sessions and cutting edge clinical science. For further information about the Congress, we invite you to visit the website: <http://www.cipp-meeting.org/>.

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Call for Presenters - CSRT Conference 2014 Deadline

October 15

For the 50th anniversary of the respiratory therapy profession, the CSRT has collaborated with L'Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec (OPIQ) for the 2014 CSRT Annual Education Conference. The CSRT and OPIQ invite respiratory therapists to submit their presentation for the French or English program for presentation at the 2014 Conference in Montreal QC. The Committee will consider abstracts for presentations from all areas of respiratory therapy practice.

Details at: http://www.csrt.com/en/events/2014_conference.asp

CSRT Awards Nomination Deadline - October 31, 2013

The CSRT invites its members to submit nominations for the following two award categories - the Robert Merry Lecturer (2015) and the Colya Kaminiarz Professional Achievement and Education Award.

These awards are designed to recognize excellence within the RT community and acknowledge significant contributions made by individual respiratory therapists. The CSRT encourages members to consider nominating a peer who has distinguished themselves in their profession and in their community.

Criteria and nomination form at: <http://www.csrt.com/en/about/awards.asp>

What's New at Respiratoryresource.ca

Do you have a suggestion for a topic for a Webinar or Journal Club? We welcome all ideas that help enhance the professional practice portfolios of respiratory therapists. Please send your ideas to the moderator at:

<http://www.respiratoryresource.ca/contact/>

Here's what's new at respiratoryresource:

- Files now available for the Journal Club Meeting, Monday September 23, 2013 at 3PM EDT, Mechanical Ventilation-Induced Reverse-Triggered Breaths - CHEST April 2013
- Official Respiratory Resource Youtube channel available through respiratoryresource at:
<http://www.respiratoryresource.ca/blog/2013/9/10/respiratory-resource-youtube-channel.html>

■ CBRC Examination Application Deadline

The deadline to apply to write the *January 4, 2014* national exam is **November 15, 2013**.

For details, please visit www.cbrc.ca/

■ CAA Discounts with CSRT Membership

With the fall and winter weather fast approaching CSRT members might want to check out new CAA memberships at preferred rates. These rates are only available through the contact below.

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■ Complementary Online Statistics Course

Coursera is offering a massive open online course (MOOC) for those interested in research or quality improvement projects. The course is being presented by Andrew Conway, a professor at Princeton University. It's a great opportunity to pick up some of

the basics. Details at: <https://www.coursera.org/course/stats1>

CSRT News




October 2013

Keeping members current on issues that matter

Like Us on Facebook & Follow Us on Twitter!

 The CSRT has now added two new platforms to connect, collaborate and share with RTs nationally and internationally!

Follow us on Twitter at https://twitter.com/@CSRT_tweets. We invite you to join us and get instant up-to-date information!

 Our new Facebook page is - <https://www.facebook.com/csrt.sctr>. It will help you stay connected with fellow RTs – come on and like us! We are always looking for new opportunities to engage our members and reach out to respiratory therapists in all jurisdictions. *Like us and follow us*, as we explore more ways to share information and stay connected!

New Position Statement – Mechanical Ventilation

The CSRT has issued a new position statement on *The Respiratory Therapist's Role in Mechanical Ventilation*. The CSRT strongly advocates for the involvement of a respiratory therapist in all therapeutic interventions pertaining to mechanical ventilation to optimize patient care, safety and best practice outcomes. In the interest of patient safety, the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists recommends that all

health care organizations ensure that a respiratory therapist is available at all times to manage interventions pertaining to mechanical ventilation. Details at: http://www.csrt.com/en/professional/position_statements.asp

■ **New National Student Contest - *Making Way For Future RTs***

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the profession in 2014, the CSRT and OPIQ invite students to take part in a national contest - "*Making way for future RTs*"! Students are challenged to present a creative respiratory therapy project to their peers. It does not have to be a research project, but must be evidence-based science. Students are encouraged to think outside the box. Spread the word! Students could win a trip to the conference in Montreal and some prize money too!

Covidien has provided an educational grant to help pay for costs of program, including three cash prizes: \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. There is also the possibility of an additional \$2,000 in prize money. Deadline is January 15, 2014.

Details and entry forms at: <http://www.csrt.com/en/events/index.asp>

■ **Respiratory Therapists Week**

How did you celebrate RT Week? Send us photos and a description of your RT Week activities. We will highlight some events in the newsletter and on the website. Send to rhansen@csrt.com. The promotional materials provided by the CSRT have been very popular again this year. The CSRT is very encouraged by the rising number of RTs looking for innovative ways to promote their profession.



NBCC Wins CSRT Student Membership Drive

Congratulations to all the students who joined the CSRT! The school who had the highest percentage of students join the CSRT between July 15 – October 21 - was New Brunswick Community College! They had 19 students join out of a total of 52 in the program which is roughly 36.5% overall. Students and staff will receive a complimentary lunch during RT Week.

Second place was Michener with 26% of students joining (33 in total). The school with the largest number of students joining was Fanshawe - with 36 students - however since their program has a total of 153 students they came up short with an overall average with 23.5%. This challenge is another CSRT initiative to encourage students to become involved in their profession!

What's New at respiratoryresource.ca

Content Updates

- Powerpoint presentation – *Quality Assurance Puritan Bennett 840: Hazards/Warnings/Recalls*

Journal Club

Now available:

- The presentation from September 23, 2013 - *Mechanical Ventilation-Induced Reversed-Triggered Breaths*.
- The presentation from Tuesday, October 29 - A Year In Review (a review of this year's journal club articles);

Educational credits are available for both Journal Clubs.

CBRC Examination Application Deadline

The deadline to apply to write the *January 4, 2014* national exam is **November 15, 2013**. Note that the 2014 examination will be based on the 2011 National Competency profile. For details, please visit www.cbrc.ca/

International Congress on Pediatric Pulmonology

The **13th International Congress on Pediatric Pulmonology (CIPP XIII)** will take place in Bruges, Belgium from June 26-29, 2014. As the only global congress entirely devoted to Pediatric Pulmonology, CIPP XIII offers a unique opportunity for state-of-the-art reviews of advances in this field, debates on controversial issues, unique clinical sessions and cutting edge clinical science. For further information about the Congress, we invite you to visit the website: <http://www.cipp-meeting.org/>.

CSRT News



CSRT Membership Renewal Starts December 2!

As of December 2, you will be able to renew your membership, professional liability insurance and all other services for the new membership year (April 1, 2014 - March 31, 2015). Renewals can be processed online or by printing and submitting a membership form to our office. Don't forget that you can use the CSRT monthly payment plan to renew for your CSRT membership, regulatory fees and professional liability insurance.

Renew and win!

Renew your membership before March 31st and be entered in a draw to win an iPad mini. Also starting January 1 and continuing February 1, March 1, and April 1, CSRT will draw one name each month to receive complimentary registration to the 2014 conference. Renew your membership sooner rather than later to have your name entered in all four draws.

Details at: http://www.csrt.com/en/membership/current_members.asp

Professional Liability Insurance - Good Value for Your Money!

The CSRT is committed to providing affordable Professional Liability Insurance to members. At just \$48.00 – it is a great value! We encourage all RTs to check their coverage to ensure they are adequately protected against adverse events. Group

insurance programs offered by employers may be limited! Check out this comprehensive video on PLI to make sure you are fully covered: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGD_Z5lfulc&feature=youtu.be

IKARIA Supports Education through Scholarship Funding

The CSRT / IKARIA scholarship fund has been renewed for 2014. Respiratory therapists are invited to apply for one of four scholarships, each in the amount of \$2,500. The CSRT / IKARIA scholarships will be presented to the recipients during the President's Banquet at the CSRT Annual Education Conference, being held next year in Montreal. The four recipients will be invited to attend and will receive complimentary conference registration and funding for economy travel and two night's accommodations. The CSRT gratefully acknowledges the support provided by IKARIA for these educational grants.

Deadline for application is January 15, 2014.

Details at: <http://www.csrt.com/en/professional/scholarships.asp>

New CSRT Fellows

The CSRT Board of Directors has conferred the professional designation of Fellow of the CSRT (FCSRT) for the following:

- Roger Cook
- Jessie Cox
- Delores Gordon
- Julia Lee
- Noel Pendergast
- Norman Tiffin

This designation recognizes registered members who are long-standing members of the CSRT and have shown leadership and made a commitment to life-long learning.

■ **CSRT Education Conference May 22 -24, 2014**

Coming soon! The CSRT Preliminary Conference Program will be available in January. The 2014 speakers' lineup promises to bring forward an excellent variety of regional, national and international speakers - in both English and French streams, as well as hands-on workshops on difficult ventilation, intubation etc.

CSRT Offers Industry Partners More Visibility

The CSRT is pleased to supply a vehicle to keep our members informed of the products and services provided by our industry partners. The CSRT wishes to acknowledge the support of industry for the profession and encourage you to visit our *Vendor's Showcase* to see who is attending the 2014 Conference in Montreal in support of the profession.

http://www.csrt.com/en/events/vendors_showcase.asp

■ **CBRC Recruiting for Volunteers**

Travel to Halifax NS to participate and contribute to your profession! The Canadian Board for Respiratory Care (CBRC) is seeking volunteers to participate in the "Cut Point" (Pass Mark) July 23 to and 25, 2014 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Traveling expenses, individual hotel accommodations and a daily allowance for meals will be provided by the CBRC.

APPLICATION DEADLINE JANUARY 17, 2014

Details and application form at www.cbrc.ca

■ **What's New at respiratoryresource.ca**

Webinars

Now available - Volumetric Capnography (November 1, 2013)

Content Updates

Article - Preoxygenation and Prevention of Desaturation During Emergency Airway

Management

Journal Club

Now available - Journal Club - A Year in Review (October 30, 2013)

■ RT Week Wrap

Once again RTs across the country stepped up their game and provided a diverse number of activities to promote their profession. Below are some highlights from Respiratory Therapy Week!

For lots more photos from across Canada – visit
http://www.csrt.com/en/events/rt_week.asp

Nova Scotia, Amherst

In Amherst, NS, RTs focused on smoking cessation this year. Their display was a little dramatic but was received well. RTs purchased shirts to promote the profession and had 88-92% embroidered on the side which actually sparked some interest and questions. The 88-92% refers to how to oxygenate patients with COPD that are possible CO₂ retainers. The "safest" practice is to maintain an SpO₂ (oxygen saturation) in the above range. So RTs are often overheard saying - "*Just keep it between 88-92*".



Amherst RTs at their booth (left to right)

Christina Beaumont, Eugene Kelly, Iris Munn, Kristina Johnstone

Ontario, Kitchener



At Conestoga College, students presented their posters on the professional roles of RTs and various pathologies in a very large poster display on campus. The Conestoga College RT Student Federation held their annual bake sale raising money for the Lung Association.

The highlight of the week though was the 2nd annual RT Student Airway Olympics. Year-one students were matched with year- two students - who served as mentors for the intubation event. Eleven teams entered the elimination rounds with one team prevailing after the ultimate final round challenge..... Surprise Intubation on the floor!

Students at Conestoga College tested their skills in a RT Student Airway Olympics

Alberta, Calgary

RTs at the Foothills Medical Centre in Calgary, AB had a wonderful week that included:

- Leadership team pancake breakfasts
- Daily “Lunch&Learn” education sessions
- RT Olympics
- Evening events and festivities
- Door prizes
- Student learning activities
- Annual RT Week T-shirt contest



RTs enjoyed several Lunch and Learn sessions at Foothills Medical Centre

■ 6th Annual State of the Art Clinical Approaches to Smoking Cessation

Don't miss the 6th Annual Ottawa Conference: State of the Art Clinical Approaches to Smoking Cessation, taking place during National Non-Smoking Week on January 24th and 25th, 2014. Visit www.ottawamodel.ca for details.

■ NEW Online Certified Respiratory Educator (CRE) and Certified Asthma Educator (CAE) Programs

Pear Healthcare Solutions Inc., announces the availability of a Canadian Network for Respiratory Care (CNRC) approved online educational program that will enable individuals to earn a Certified Respiratory Educator (CRE) or Certified Asthma Educator (CAE) designation after successful completion of the CNRC exam. This online program is now available at: www.healthlearning.ca. The Pear Healthcare Respiratory Care Educator program consists of 3 major sections: Asthma, COPD, Patient Education.

Those wishing to receive their Certified Respiratory Educator (CRE) designation would complete all 3 sections. Those wishing to receive their Certified Asthma Educator (CAE) designation would complete the Asthma and Patient Education sections. Those who are already have a CAE designation could earn their CRE designation by completing only the COPD section and writing the CNRC exam for that section. Registration for the program

is now open. Create an account on Health eLearning here:

<https://www.healthlearning.ca/login/signup.php>

■ Free Online Webinar - Palliative Approaches to Chronic Disease Management

Tuesday, December 10, 2013, 1pm EST

“Integrating a palliative approach into the management of chronic, life-threatening diseases: What all health care providers need to know”

This event is geared towards all health practitioners. This one hour, free webinar on palliative approaches to chronic disease management is meant for health care providers, including clinicians, who do not necessarily see themselves as palliative-hospice care experts or providers. Registration is free and now open at

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/you-thought-you-understood-palliative-care-think-again-tickets-9343451515>

■ CSRT Welcomes New Corporate Member



The CSRT Corporate Membership category provides industry partners with more profile within the RT community. To become a Corporate Member go to

http://www.csrt.com/en/membership/corporate_membership.asp or contact Lindsey Naddaf, lnaddaf@csrt.com.