

# **CSRT Newsletter**



# May 2017

# Keeping members current on issues that matter

# **CSRT Board of Directors for 2017-2018**



Left to right: Richa Shah, Elizabeth French, Paul Williams, Jeff Dionne, Adam Buettner, Scott Vigliotti, Patricia-Ann Therriault, Edouard Saadé (missing: Tammy Fagan)

# **Executive Committee**

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# **BoD Profile / Perspectives**

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# **Directors at large**

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Québec Perspective

Chronic Care and Western Canada Perspectives Critical Care and Western Canada Perspectives Industry and Non-regulated Provinces Perspective

AA and Maritimes Perspective

Student Perspective

# **CSRT Annual Education Conference: a success!**

The CSRT is proud to say that the 2017 Conference that took place in Halifax, ON was another success! The CSRT welcomed 521 RRTs and RT students to our conference as well as 155 industry representatives. We are grateful to all involved in making the best conference ever - in particular, the Education Program Committee (Chair Brandon D'Souza, Kathy Spurr, Norma Frank, Felicia Almeida, John Cushing, Adam Gillis and Louanne Bethune) who selected outstanding speakers; the wonderful volunteers, including students from the Dalhousie University School of Health Sciences; and of course all of the delegates, who made a contribution in making this years' conference a success.

# Thank you to CSRT industry partners

The CSRT is very grateful for the support of our industry partners who year after year join us for the conference as sponsors and exhibitors – we could not have a successful conference without them! Our sponsors this year were:

> Elite: Gold: **Friday Night Fun Night:**

Medtronic GSK **CSRT & ROXON** 

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**Platinum:** Masimo **President's Banquet: Novus Medical** 

**Boehringer Ingelheim Philips** 

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# Presentations from CSRT conference are available

For all CSRT members who were unable to join us in Halifax, we have collected the presentations from most of the speakers. They can be found here:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/j08jpfyu941wc9x/AAAccDQVbfixD3FiWoE0GdoZa?dl=0

# **RT Olympics**

Sponsored by Medtronic, and facilitated by Carolyn McCoy and Thomas Piraino, the RT Olympics had competitors intubating "patients" in ways never seen in the competition before! The returning champs stole the show and won the Sputum Cup for the 4th year in a row; congratulations Marco Zaccagnini and Mike McArthur from Montreal!









# **CSRT Professional Awards**

Distinguished Life Membership Award – Christiane Ménard, CSRT Executive Director



The Robert Merry Excellence in Education Award – Barbara MacDonald, RRT, Faculty and RSPT Academic Advisor, QEII/Dalhousie School of Health Sciences



Colya Kaminiarz Professional Achievement Award – Jeffrey Dmytrowich, RRT, Saskatoon Health Region

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# Cardinal Excellence in Pulmonary Function Testing Award – Jimmy Joy, RRT, Peak Pulmonary Consulting







CSRT's President's Award – Patricia Wickson, RRT, Alberta Health Services \*Sponsored by Trudell Medical Marketing Ltd.





# CSRT/CBRC Student Achievement Medal Awards for three highest marks at the national certification exam

Gold Medal Award – Vanessa Bonomo, Conestoga College \*sponsored by RTs Without Borders and Moe Sharrif



Silver Medal Award – Jocelyn Marleau, TRU



Congratulations to all of this year's award recipients!

# Bronze Medal Award —

# Jasmine Bergen-Henengouwen, SAIT



# Bronze Medal Award -

# Jean-René Arseneau, NBCC



# **CSRT Poster Presentation Winners**

# \$500 Papadakos Student Poster Presentation Award Winner Susan Abdo, Dalhousie University Poster entitled: "Selective Binding Agent in Replacement of Anticholisnesterase Inhibitor for the Reversal of



# \$500 RT Winners

Tomas J. Lindenmaier, Julia Flook, Julie Brown, Lorie Raneiri, Amy Mitchell, Helen Harrison, Dugg Steary & Elizabeth Lorusso Poster entitled: "Does E-Learning Module

Improve Health Science Students'
Venipuncture Skills?"



# **#CSRT2017 Social Media Posts**



Following

I really did look over and see this- not staged! Love to see RTs reading the journal #csrt2017



(Twitter - @CJRTEditor)

Thank you to all those who used the #CSRT2017 hashtag throughout the 2017 CSRT Annual Education Conference. Here are some of the most popular posts! See a few of our favorites below!



(Twitter - @BDSouza123)



(Instagram – @rtbyfarzad)





(Instagram – @Ingridhakanson)

# Post-Diploma Pediatric Certification Needs Assessment

Earlier this spring, the CSRT initiated a two-pronged process to determine if there is a need for a national post-diploma neonatal/pediatric certification program. The first part of this process was a national survey for managers and one for respiratory therapists who work with neonatal and pediatric patients. The surveys included questions regarding post-diploma education and orientation to neonatal and pediatric respiratory care and helped identify competencies that would be required of respiratory therapists working in these areas. Survey participants could opt in to a draw for a \$50 Visa gift card. Congratulations to Alexis Hofsteede on her win!

The second part of the needs assessment process was a roundtable discussion, held in conjunction with the 2017 CSRT Annual Education Conference in Halifax. Participants included respiratory therapists from across the country, managers, physicians, respiratory therapy educators and regulators. During this event, participants reviewed the results of the national survey, discussed the merits of an optional certification program, identified the competencies that are required of respiratory therapists working in this specific area of practice and debated whether certification for neonatal respiratory care should be completed separately from certification for pediatric respiratory care.

The CSRT is reviewing all of the feedback from the needs assessment process and will continue to keep members informed of the outcomes of this process.

Thank you to everyone who completed the needs assessment survey and participated in the round table discussion!

# Pulmonary Function Testing Symposium 2017

The Canadian Association of Cardio-Pulmonary Technologists (CACPT) is offering a Pulmonary Function Testing Symposium at the International Living Learning Centre, Ryerson University in Toronto on September 22nand 23, 2017. The Symposium is open to all Pulmonary Function Technologists, Respiratory Therapists and Allied Health Professionals. To Register on line and view the program please go to <a href="https://www.cacpt.ca">www.cacpt.ca</a>. This event has been approved for CSRT CE/CPD credits: Participants in this symposium will receive up to 13 credits.

# **Membership benefit - TD Insurance!**

Get more out of your membership.

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# **CSRT On-Line Job Bank Listings**

For details on jobs posted, click here

Job No.	Job Title	Location	Company	Date Posted
1569	24 FT RRTs	Doha, Qatar	Cavendish Profesional	5/5/2017
1570	Respiratory Therapist (Sleep Clinician)	Abbotsford, BC	MedPro Respiratory Care	5/11/2017
1571	Professor, Respiratory Therapy	North Bay, ON	Canadore College	5/22/2017
1572	Registered Respiratory Therapist (Sleep)	Lloydminster, AB	VitalAire	5/28/2017

