



New Zealand
**Medical Radiation
 Technologists Board**
Te Poari Ringa Hangarua Iraruke

**MRTB
 NEWS**

NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW ZEALAND MEDICAL RADIATION TECHNOLOGISTS BOARD



It is hard to believe we have nearly ended the first quarter of the year. I hope you have all started the year off well with a good break and enjoyed the warm summer.

The Board held its first meeting for 2018 at the end of February and welcomed our new staff at MSS including our new registrar Margaret Steele.

We have a busy year ahead with the on-line registration examination project encompassing a revision of the framework for the assessment of overseas qualifications and training beginning this month for content writers.

The Board will undertake its first audit of practitioners under the new CPD criteria later in the year.

We will be at the NZIMRT conference this year in Dunedin and welcome the chance to talk with you.

Our role as the Medical Radiation Technologists Board is to protect the health and safety of the public by ensuring our practitioners are competent and safe to practice therefore we encourage you to contact the board if you have any queries or concerns.

All the best for a good year,

Prue Lamerton

MRTB Chair

ADMINISTRATION STAFF CHANGES

The Board with the Medical Sciences Council of New Zealand (MSC) jointly-own a not-for-profit company; Medical Sciences Secretariat (MSS), through which all business support services are provided. MSS have had a number of recent staff changes and would like to take this opportunity to introduce the MSS staff team and their contact details. These changes include the separation of the Chief Executive and Registrar roles previously held by Mary Doyle. Mary retains the role of the Chief Executive, and Margaret Steel has taken on the role of Registrar for both the Council, and MRTB.

Mary Doyle	Chief Executive
Margaret Steel	Registrar
Victoria Nelson	Finance and Administration Manager
Glenys Davies	Communications and Strategic Projects Coordinator
Miriam Brown	Senior Registration and Professional Standards Coordinator
Varsha Parsotam	Registrations Coordinator
Leanne Bartlett	Registrations Coordinator
Anita Alcock	Finance and Office Administrator
Swas Lal	Examinations Coordinator

CONTACT DETAILS

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2018/2019 APC RENEWAL

You can log into your profile and renew your APC for the 2018/2019 year.

Please note, your current 2017/2018 APC will expire on the 31st March 2018.

RESETTING YOUR PASSWORD:

If you have forgotten your password you can use the "Forgotten Password" option to reset it. There are two ways you can reset your password:

- ✓ via the email address registered with the Board and we will send you a link to reset your password; or
- ✓ via text message.

If you have forgotten your password and you do not have access to the email address registered with the Board, and your mobile number is not up to date, email the Board mrt@medsci.co.nz and we will update your details.

MAKING A PAYMENT

There are several ways you can pay for your APC:

- ✓ Credit card;
- ✓ Internet banking (enter your registration number in the reference box);
- ✓ Pay at your local Westpac branch (enter your registration number in the reference box)

The banking details can be found on your sales invoice which will be emailed to you at the time of application, or you can find it under the invoice/document tab in your profile. When you click on the invoice it will take you directly to a secure credit card payment page.



There is a late fee payment for those who do not re-new their APC before 7 April 2018.

Fees for the 2018/2019 APC

APC renewal received by 31 March	\$400
APC renewal received after 7 April	\$560

If you have any problems applying for your APC, or require your email address to be updated, please email the Board: mrt@medsci.co.nz and someone will attend to your query as soon as possible.

I HAVE NOT RECEIVED MY APC

If you have applied and paid for your APC but have not received it, it could be for one of the following reasons:

- ✓ the Board could be waiting for your supervisor to confirm your competency to practice
- ✓ the Board could be waiting for payment to go through
- ✓ you have made a declaration the Board needs to review

Once your APC has been issued, it will be emailed to your nominated email address, and it will also be placed under the invoice/document tab in your profile.



It is illegal to practise without an APC and you could be fined up to \$10,000, should the Board have it confirmed you have been working without a current APC.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CPD reflection

Reflection is key to effective CPD and is an essential element to learning, benefits include:

- ✓ Validate your existing knowledge and skills – reflecting you haven't learned anything new from attending a event is a valid conclusion
- ✓ Enables you to build on your prior knowledge and skills
- ✓ Enables you to take control of your own learning agenda
- ✓ Helps you to understand your perspective, attitudes and beliefs which may influence your practice
- ✓ Assist in identifying and solving problems
- ✓ Encourage you to consider alternatives and options

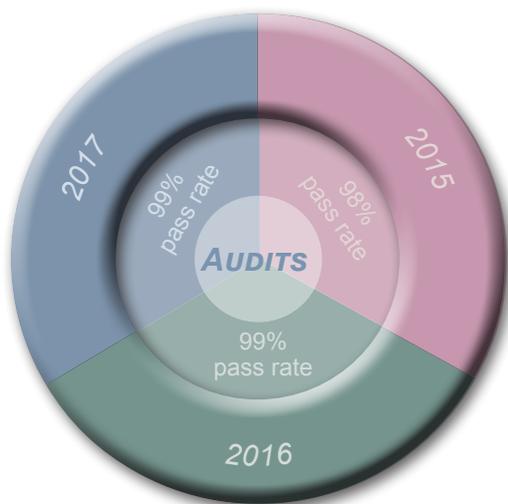
YOU CAN CLAIM ONE-HOUR CPD EACH YEAR FOR WRITING YOUR REFLECTION, AND UP TO THREE-HOURS PER TRIENNium.

Things to remember:

When writing your reflection, or including evidence of CPD, remember to remove any information that may lead to the identification of a patient.

BOARD AUDIT RESULTS FOR 2017

SELECTED FOR AUDIT	EXEMPTED	AUDITED	PASSED
303	27	276	274 99%



Board Audit 2018

The audit for 2018 will be the inaugural audit under the new CPD standards. We will publish more information regarding how this will impact on the audit process in the next few months.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Once you are registered, you have a legal requirement to notify the Board of any changes to your residential, postal or work address within one month of the change.

You can do this by logging into "My Profile" on the website. Please note email address changes must be emailed to mrt@medsci.co.nz

BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY

The primary responsibility of the Medical Radiation Technologists Board is to protect the health and safety of the New Zealand public by ensuring practitioners registered in the profession of medical radiation technology are competent and fit to practice.