NMTCB REPORT

Martha W. Pickett, CNMT Chairperson

t was certainly a pleasure to see the profession of nuclear medicine technology thriving as was evidenced by the attendance level and enthusiasm at The Society of Nuclear Medicine's Annual Meeting in Toronto! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Scientific and Teaching Committee of the Technologist Section for allowing the NMTCB to present the Item Writer's Workshop as part of the continuing education program. I would also like to thank Nancy Sawyer, CNMT for presenting the workshop and Miriam Miller, CNMT for her assistance.

The NMTCB administered the last exam under the old exam blueprint in June 1993. The new exam blueprint, which is the result of the Task Analysis completed in December 1991, will be the basis for the exam given in September 1993 and subsequent years. This exam reflects some important changes; program directors, as well as exam candidates, are encouraged to refer to a previously published article outlining these changes (September 1992 JNMT, p. 173). If you are a program director, I recommend that you take some time to review the packet from the NMTCB office that was mailed in May 1993. This packet contains information about the new exam blueprint as well as sample questions.

The number of applicants for each offering of the NMTCB exam continues to rise. The NMTCB office processed 27% more applications for the June 1993 exam than for the June 1992 exam. In 1992, the office processed almost 1100 applications, compared to the 850 applications that were processed two years ago.

Examination Dates

The Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board 1993-1994

Year	Exam Date	Application Deadline
1993	September 25	July 17
1994	June 25	April 16
1994	September 24	July 16
1995	June 24	April 15

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If you are planning to take the NMTCB exam and are not a graduate of a program accredited by the Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation (CAHEA), please keep in mind that the last date you may take the examination as a non-CAHEA graduate is September 1995. If you have questions regarding your qualifications, please contact the NMTCB office.

In a related matter, many program directors have been awaiting the final outcome of the CAHEA reorganization. Final proposals have been distributed to participating and interested parties. The American Medical Association (AMA) has also agreed to extend its deadline,

giving more time for responses. The NMTCB will make every effort to recognize on a timely basis the new accrediting body as accepted by the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT), thereby causing as little disruption as possible during the process of verifying candidates' exam eligibility.

To those of you who will be submitting items this year, let me extend a note of appreciation in recognition of your hard work. Many of you make this an annual contribution, and without your help, the NMTCB would not have achieved the level of excellence it now enjoys. We would like to recognize the following individuals for their contributions to the 1992 exam process.

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