

J R C N M T P R O C E E D I N G S

Revision of Essentials

The final draft of the proposed revision of the *Essentials and Guidelines for an Accredited Educational Program for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist* was prepared during the fall 1997 meeting of the board of directors. The final draft incorporated the suggestions received from participants at the annual meetings of the SNM-TS, SNM and ASRT, responses from the questionnaire mailed to program directors, administrative officials and other interested parties, and comments from the sponsoring organizations. The response to questions concerning the desired format revealed that:

- 80% of the respondents prefer to retain use of the term *essential* as opposed to standard or principle.
- 60% of the respondents prefer the notation of numbers, i.e. I.A., rather

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than inclusion of descriptive terms such as objective, criterion or pattern of evidence.

- 60% also prefer to include the professional competencies expected of the graduate within the document rather than as an appendix.

The final draft will now be submitted to the sponsoring organizations for adoption.

The board wishes to acknowledge the contributions of all who participated in the workshops, survey and revision process. We appreciate the time spent to assist us in preparing a document that reflects the standards of the profession.

1997 Workshops

The JRCNMT will be conducting a workshop on June 2, 1997 at the annual meeting of the SNM-TS and SNM in San Antonio, TX. Another workshop will be held June 23, 1997 at the annual meeting of the ASRT in Providence, RI. The workshops will focus on:

- The final draft of the *Essentials*.
- Changes for the self-study document.
- Costs associated with accreditation.

We encourage all interested persons, both practitioners and educators, to attend.

Future Meetings

The 1997 spring meeting of JRCNMT will be held April 18-19 and the 1997 fall meeting will be held October 24-25. Both meetings will be in Salt Lake City, UT. Please contact your representatives regarding any items you wish to be considered by the Review Committee.

ACCREDITATION ACTIONS

October 25-26, 1996

The following accreditation actions were taken during the fall meeting of the board of directors.

Programs Granted Initial Accreditation

British Columbia Institute of Technology
Burnaby, British Columbia

1999

Programs Granted Continued Accreditation

University of Alabama at Birmingham
Birmingham AL

2003

University of Arkansas/St.
Vincent Infirmary Medical Ctr.
Little Rock, AR

2001

California State University,
Dominguez Hills Carson, CA

2001

Loma Linda University Loma Linda, CA

1999

Indiana University School of Medicine
Indianapolis, IN

2003

Delgado Community College
New Orleans, LA

2001

University of Massachusetts
Medical Center/Worcester State College
Worcester, MA

1999

Ferris State University
Big Rapids, MI

2003

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Las Vegas, NV

1999

Bronx Community College
Bronx, NY

2001

State University of New York at Buffalo
Buffalo, NY

2003

Institute of Allied Medical Professions
New York, NY

1999

University of North Carolina Hospitals
Chapel Hill, NC

2003

Ohio State University Medical Center
Columbus, OH

2001

Nuclear Medicine Institute,
The University of Findlay
Findlay, OH

2001

St. Elizabeth Health Center
Youngstown, OH

2003

University of Oklahoma
Oklahoma City, OK

2001

Cedar Crest College
Allentown, PA

2003

Wyoming Valley Health
Care Systems-Hospital
Wilkes-Barre, PA

2001

University of Tennessee
Medical Center at Knoxville
Knoxville, TN

2001

Houston Community College System
Houston, TX

1999

Old Dominion University
Norfolk, VA

2001

Wheeling Jesuit College
Wheeling, WV

2001

Programs Granted Extended Accreditation

Halifax Medical Center
Daytona Beach, FL

1999

Next Review

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JRCNMT PROCEEDINGS

University of Kansas Medical Center Kansas City, KS	1999	<i>Wyoming Valley Health Care System—Hospital, Inc., Wilkes-Barre, PA</i>
Chattanooga State Technical Community College Chattanooga, TN	1999	From: Wilkes-Barre General Hospital
Amarillo College Amarillo, TX	1998	Programs Scheduled for Resurvey, 1997*
Programs Requesting Inactive Status	Duration	Baptist Health Little Rock, AR
Cancer Foundation of Santa Barbara Santa Barbara, CA	1996-1997 school year	Vamc West Los Angeles, Wadsworth Division Los Angeles, CA
Los Angeles County and University of Southern California Medical Center Los Angeles, CA	September 1996-1998	University Of California San Diego Medical Center San Diego, CA
Community College of Denver Denver, CO	September 1996-1997	St. Vincent's Medical Center Bridgeport, CT
Riverview Medical Center Red Bank, NJ	1996-1997 school year	Santa Fe Community College Gainesville, FL
New York University Medical Center New York, NY	09/13/96-09/01/98	Valencia Community College Orlando, FL
Aultman Hospital Canton, OH	07/01/96-07/01/98	Triton College River Grove, IL
Programs Requesting Voluntary Withdrawal of Accreditation	Effective Date	University Of Iowa Hospitals And Clinics Iowa City, IA
St. John Medical Center Detroit, MI	10/17/96	Prince George's Community College Largo, MD
State University of New York at Brooklyn Brooklyn, New York	06/10/96	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences Boston, MA
Temple University Hospital Philadelphia, PA	09/16/96	Research Medical Center Kansas City, MO
Western Pennsylvania Hospital Pittsburgh, PA	10/09/96	Riverview Medical Center Red Bank, NJ
Programs Requesting Name Changes		Southeast Technical Institute Sioux Falls, SD
<i>Baptist Health, Little Rock, AR</i>		University of Nebraska Omaha, NE
From: Baptist Medical Center to Baptist Health		Vanderbilt University Medical Center Nashville, TN
<i>The University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, TX</i>		
From: Incarnate Word College		

*Written third-party testimony may be submitted regarding any nuclear medicine technology program undergoing review. Persons desiring to present third-party oral testimony must submit a written request. Third-party testimony, written and oral, must be limited to the educational program's compliance with the *Essentials and Guidelines for an Accredited Educational Program for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist*. Written comments and requests for oral presentation must be submitted to the JRCNMT in such time as to allow the educational program 30 business days to respond.

TECHNOLOGIST SECTION SEEKS MEMBERS FOR JRCNMT

The Academic Affairs Committee is seeking applications from Technologist Section members who would like to represent the section on the Joint Review Committee on Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT). The JRCNMT is composed of technologists and physicians from four professional organizations and helps establish and maintain quality standards for nuclear medicine technology programs.

The Academic Affairs Committee must receive applications by June 1, 1997. The member's three-year term will begin January 1, 1998. Duties include attending JRCNMT meetings, submitting a written report to the Technologist Section president after each JRCNMT meeting and submitting summaries to the section's National Council. The

member serves without pay but is reimbursed for expenses incurred by attending official JRCNMT meetings.

To apply, submit a current curriculum vitae and a letter demonstrating your knowledge of the philosophy, functions and duties of the JRCNMT, as well as indicating your availability of time and willingness to serve and travel as necessary. You must hold current certification or registration as a nuclear medicine technologist. Please include a statement of any potential conflict of interest with your application, although this does not preclude appointment. Interested applicants should address all submissions to: Susan M. Laffin, CNMT, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, 179 Longwood Ave., Boston, MA 02115.