

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

## SPONSORS APPROVE ESSENTIALS

The fourth revision of the *Essentials and Guidelines for an Accredited Educational Program for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist* has been completed. Each of the four sponsoring organizations, the American College of Radiology, the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT), the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM) and the Society of Nuclear Medicine-Technologist Section (SNM-TS), approved the revised document during annual meetings held throughout 1997. The actions of the sponsoring organizations are the final step in a process started in 1995. At that time comments received from program directors, site evaluators and educators

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since the last revision were considered for the initial revision. Following the initial revision the proposed document was submitted for review to the sponsoring organizations, educators, program directors and other interested parties. Workshops were held during the annual meetings of the sponsoring organizations throughout 1996. Public workshops were conducted in 1997 at which time the final revision of the document was submitted also to the sponsoring organizations for approval.

The 1997 revision of the *Essentials and Guidelines for an Accredited Educational Program for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist* will become effective January 1, 1998. This provides all educational programs in nuclear medicine technology a period of one year to implement any needed changes in the curriculum as a result of the revision. The major difference between the current and revised editions of the *Essentials and Guidelines for an Accredited Educational Program for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist* is the greater emphasis placed on outcomes and competencies. The majority of educational programs have been focused in this direction for the last few years, so the transition is not anticipated to be difficult.

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## JRCNMT OFFICERS

The following individuals were elected as officers by the Board of Directors during the fall meeting:

Chairman: Susan C. Weiss, CNMT

Vice Chairman: Robert E. Henkin, MD

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## ANNUAL ACCREDITATION FEES

The JRCNMT uses the calendar year for assessing accreditation fees. Thus, fees assessed January 1st of each year cover

accreditation services for the calendar year January through December. Clarification has been sought recently regarding programs that plan to discontinue the educational program within the calendar year. Annual fees assessed for programs that provide advance written notification of intent to close are prorated by quarter based on the date of closure. Annual fees assessed for programs that fail to provide advance written notification of intent to close are prorated by quarter based on the date of notification. Programs on an inactive status have until March 31 of the calendar year to provide notification of closure without assessment of fees.

## FUTURE MEETINGS

The 1998 spring meeting of the JRCNMT will be held March 20-21, 1998 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Please contact your representatives regarding any items you wish to be considered by the Review Committee.

## 1998 WORKSHOPS

The JRCNMT will be holding a workshop on June 7, 1998 during the annual meeting of the SNM-TS and SNM in Toronto. Another workshop will be held June 9, 1998 during the annual meeting of the ASRT in Houston. We encourage all interested persons, practitioners and educators to attend. The focus of these workshops will be:

1. Implementation of the revised *Essentials and Guidelines for an Accredited Educational Program for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist*.
2. Review of the proposed revision of the Self-Study Application for Accredited Educational Programs for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist.

## ADDRESS CHANGE

The JRCNMT office has relocated to: JRCNMT, #1 2nd Avenue East, Suite C, Polson, MT 59860-2320; phone: 406-883-0003; fax: 406-883-0022; e-mail: jrcnmt@ptinet.net.

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## JRCNMT PROCEEDINGS

### ACCREDITATION ACTIONS

#### October 24-25, 1997

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

<b>Programs Granted Initial Accreditation</b>	<b>Resurvey Date</b>
Central Maine Medical Center Lewiston, ME	2000

<b>Programs Granted Continued Accreditation</b>	<b>Resurvey Date</b>
Baptist Health Little Rock, AR	2002
Triton College River Grove, IL	1998
Santa Fe Community College Gainesville, FL	2004
University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Iowa City, IA	2004
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences Boston, MA	2004
Research Medical Center Kansas City, MO	2004
Southeast Technical Institute Sioux Falls, SD	1998
Vanderbilt University Medical Center Nashville, TN	2004

<b>Programs Granted Extended Accreditation</b>	<b>Resurvey Date</b>
University of Nevada, Las Vegas Las Vegas, NV	2001
St. Vincent's Medical Center of Richmond Staten Island, NY	2000
Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Hudson, NC	2000
Amarillo College Amarillo, TX	2000
Wheeling Jesuit University Wheeling, WV	2003

<b>Programs Requesting Voluntary Withdrawal of Accreditation</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Cancer Foundation of Santa Barbara Santa Barbara, CA	5/14/97
University of California (San Francisco) San Francisco, CA	9/1/97
Riverview Medical Center Red Bank, NJ	5/27/97
SUNY Health Science Center at Syracuse Syracuse, NY	9/1/97
University of Virginia Charlottesville, VA	8/4/97

#### Programs Scheduled for Resurvey in 1998\*

Gateway Community-Technical College	North Haven, CT
Mt. Sinai Medical Center	Miami Beach, FL
University of Louisville	Louisville, KY
Naval School of Health Sciences	Bethesda, MD
Springfield Technical-Community College	Springfield, MA
St. Mary's University of Minnesota	Winona, MN
University of Nebraska Medical Center	Omaha, NE
New York University-School of Cont. Education	New York, NY
St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center	New York, NY
Rochester Institute of Technology	Rochester, NY
Molloy College	Rockville Centre, NY
Pitt Community College	Greenville, NC
Forsyth Technical-Community College	Winston-Salem, NC
Baptist Memorial Hospital	Memphis, TN
Methodist Hospitals of Memphis	Memphis, TN
Amarillo College	Amarillo, TX
West Virginia State College Institute	WV
Froedtert Memorial Lutheran	Milwaukee, WI
St. Luke's Medical Center	Milwaukee, WI

\*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.