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## President's Letter



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As I near the end of my presidential term, I am offered a chance to reflect on the work the MDCB board has addressed in the past year. The board has focused on collaborating with other dosimetry related groups, maintaining a quality exam, and revising the international candidacy policy.

The MDCB works collaboratively with the AAMD, the JRCERT, and the JRCERT accredited program directors. One of the ways in which we will collaborate with the dosimetry community is participation in the AAMD MedDos Infinity Task Group. Like many of the members of the dosimetry community we look forward to help shape the future of the dosimetry profession.

For the first time, a joint meeting will be held between the AAMD, MDCB, JRCERT, JRCERT accredited program directors, and the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists (CAMRT) this summer at the AAMD 44th Annual Meeting. At this meeting the MDCB will present the rationale for the format of the exam, the AAMD will address feedback for core curriculum and draft standard curriculum guide, and the JRCERT will give an update on the draft of the new standards. The MDCB is looking forward to this meeting as a way to continue making progress on our strategic goals that were set in 2017, specifically exam quality maintenance and board decision evaluation. This meeting will offer a venue for all interested parties to collaborate and continue to further the profession.

The board has also revisited the International Candidacy discussion due to an increased number of approved applicants this past exam cycle and from feedback from the community. Upon further investigation the MDCB has determined to continue to provide eligibility for international candidates, those practicing medical dosimetry outside the United States. The board will continue to monitor the International Candidacy eligibility and make changes as necessary.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as President of the MDCB for the past year. I am confident my successor, Bobby Inshetski, will be a great leader and continue to advance the mission of the MDCB. It has truly been my honor to serve as president of the MDCB for the past year.

**Kristen Vu, MS, R.T.(T), CMD**

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## The MDCB Certification Exam

As reported in the previous issue of the MDCB newsletter, a job task analysis (JTA) was completed in the fall of 2018. The JTA, conducted every five years, ensures that the MDCB certification exam continues to have relevance to current dosimetry practice. A summary of the 2018 JTA can be reviewed at <https://mdcb.org/sites/default/files/images/2019/MDCB%20Summary%202018%20JTA.pdf>. The report details the specific procedures followed to gather descriptive information about the tasks performed on a job and the knowledge, skills, or abilities required to perform those tasks. The culmination of the JTA is the development of a revised test blueprint. The new test blueprint dictates the content of the exam and provides guidance for creation of exam questions.

In the spring of 2019, a cut score study was conducted to determine the passing score of the exam for the new test specifications. The cut score study is a recognized industry standard and like the JTA follows proscribed steps to determine the final cut or passing score. Participants for the study are selected from a group of subject matter expert medical dosimetrists who are representative of the demographically diverse dosimetry population.

The MDCB thanks those that participated in the in-person cut score workshop:

Todd Bossenberger	Kristen Krupela
Jessica Caselli	Gabriel Lee
Joshua Feldman	Suzanne Sanborn
Alexander Goughenour	Matthew Susen
Natasha Gump	Isaac Valdez
Daniel Joyce	

### April 2019 Statistics

- 183 candidates were approved to sit for the exam: 148 Route 1 applicants, 31 re-applicants and 4 international applicants.
- 174 candidates sat for the exam.
- The test was administered at 117 Prometric test sites in 7 countries.
- The overall pass rate was 83% and the pass rate for Route 1 candidates was 89%.
- The scaled raw cut score for passing was 600 out of a total possible of 800.

## Congratulations to the April 2019 Successful Candidates!

Mashal Abdo  
Benjamin Agyepong  
Gabriel Ayala  
Kyonghwa Bahn  
Rebecca Barrett  
Hilary Bockewitz  
Jason Boruff  
Teri Burrier  
Brittany Butler  
Elsie Butts  
Humberto Carbajal  
Joanne Carda  
Margaret Carson  
Amy Cate  
Lindsey Cavanaugh  
Ching-Yun Chan  
Amanda Clark  
Larry Cole  
Savannah Coleman  
Christopher Cox  
Seth Cox  
Ruth Crawford  
Jonathan Cyriac  
Mary Davis  
April Delikat  
Jason Derbyshire  
Jake Dewalt  
Kieu Doan  
Leotia Dumas

Madison Dylong  
Jenna Edds  
Andrew Edel  
Colin Englert  
Sarena Eves  
Jessica Ezelle  
Maddisen Fain  
Mariya Fatima  
Sean Ferguson  
Kristen Ferraro  
Anthony Frankenfield  
Daniel Frieling  
Francesco Gaetani-Liseo  
Jennifer Garner  
Garima Gokhroo  
Matt Gove  
Sasha Graham  
Matthew Greene  
Nancy Gustafson  
Jesse Hanchosky  
Candice Harp  
Holly Havran  
Michelle Hawkins  
Giang Hoang  
John Hoffmeister  
Nicholas Hopkins  
Jenny Huang  
Samuel Humbert  
Reshelee James

Anton Johnson  
Sarah Johnson  
Chelsea Karg  
Gina Kellogg  
Neal Kim  
Hie Ji Ko  
Jaya Ramakrishna Kolla  
Jennifer Kouri  
Bethany Kramer  
Jason Laher  
Karen Lang  
Christine Lawrence  
Ho Young Lee  
Joanne Lee Rosetta  
Amy Livernois  
Dawson Long  
Brianna Loritz  
Meredeth Lortie  
Teresa Lynch  
Suresh Mandalpu  
Asha Matin  
Andrew MCGovern  
Amber Mehr  
Abby Mendez  
Brady Menke  
Korie Meyers  
Nathaniel Miles  
Mark Millar  
Timothy Miller

Melissa Mitchell  
Benjamin Mowbray  
Vivek Nair  
Akira Nakamura  
Jenny Nguyen  
Thuy Nguyen  
Lauren Nieto  
Praveen Kumar Nukasani  
Sebastian Nunez  
Albermann  
Dustin Nunn  
Diana Nurbagandova  
Christopher Olney  
Christina Ong  
Jacquelyn Palermino  
Peter Park  
Shreya Patel  
Jennifer Phebus  
Tasha Potts  
Julie Puzzonio  
Tiffany Quint  
Besil Raju  
Daniel Redell  
Morgan Redrow  
Jade Reihart  
Catalina Riley  
Alejandro Rincones  
Robyn Roehm  
Amar-Pal Romana  
Candace Rumbo

Amy Rzepczynski  
Ryan Salem  
Nicholas Saltmarsh  
Edwin Santiago  
Brittany Schneider  
Adam Schwartz  
Rachel Sexton  
Christopher Sheng  
John Slemer  
Alicia Stanhouse  
Zachary Stauch  
Cole Stoltenberg  
Malissa Such  
Allyson Sullivan  
Leah Tassin  
Kayla Tedrick  
Bianca Tester  
Christopher Tracey  
Tuan Tran  
Samantha Uanino  
Cynthia Upham  
Dawn Wallace  
Alexander Ward  
Connor Whinery  
Ka Chun Carson Wong  
Sherry Yates  
Claire Young  
Alexandra Zakrzewski  
Ryan Zielan

## PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

As a recognized member of the health-care field providing critical care to individuals facing life-threatening illnesses, it is the sole responsibility of each Certified Medical Dosimetrist to adhere to the MDCB Ethical Standards, renew his/her credential annually by December 31 of each calendar year, earn and document 50 continuing education credits in each five-year cycle and make necessary updates to personal contact information in the CE Center. Renewal fees submitted after December 31 will be subject to a late fee. Failure to submit the renewal and late fees for any calendar year may result in loss of the CMD credential.

## Maintenance of Certification Update

### Personal Credit Requests

CMDs are reminded that MDCB accepts “Personal Credit Requests” for Academic College Coursework. Five (5) continuing education (CE) credits will be awarded per academic course for courses relevant to the practice of medical dosimetry for which a passing grade in a pass/fail system or a grade of C or better is earned.

Documentation required for submission is:

- an **official** transcript
- course catalog description.

Other personal credit requests that are approved for continuing education credits are journal authoring, editing or reviewing and speaker presentations. For more details regarding CE eligible activities, visit <https://mdcb.org/continuing-education/eligible-activities>.

### 2019 — End of Cycle

CMDs whose five-year cycle ends on December 31, 2019 are reminded to submit completed learning plans for approval by November 30 to ensure approval of your learning plan before December 31st. Learning plans can be submitted for approval once a minimum of 50 MDCB-approved continuing education credits with documentation have been fulfilled.

## MDCB at the AAMD Annual Conference

**Visit the MDCB Booth in the Exhibit Hall** The MDCB will be participating in the exhibit hall from Sunday, June 16th through Tuesday, June 18th. Come visit the MDCB. Have your questions answered. Participate in the MDCB Prize Drawing.

**Student Gathering** Students are encouraged to attend the gathering on Monday, June 17th to learn about the MDCB exam and the application process, maintenance of certification support and speak one-on-one with members of the MDCB Board.

**Educators’ Workshop** The MDCB will be participating at the workshop on Tuesday, June 18th and will be providing updates regarding the MDCB exam and soliciting feedback from the JRCERT Medical Dosimetry Program Directors.

## AAMD Updates

### Register Now for the AAMD 44th Annual Meeting

Don’t miss out on the premier educational event for medical dosimetrists — the AAMD 44th Annual Meeting in Anaheim, CA, June 16–20, 2019. With a diverse program of educational sessions and hands-on workshops, you’ll have the opportunity to earn more than 35 MDCB CE credits (anticipated — also applicable for ARRT). Preview the sessions, workshops and networking opportunities...then reserve your spot today! See the [AAMD Annual Meeting site](#) for details and to register.

### The Radiation Oncology Conference Niagara Is Just Around the Corner

**September 5–7, 2019 in Niagara Falls, NY**

Join the AAMD and Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center to network with hundreds of your radiation therapy and medical dosimetry colleagues from around the United States and Canada at this not-to-be-missed conference as you learn creative solutions to your most challenging clinical and administrative issues. This year’s featured symposium focuses on Pelvic Irradiation. The program has been approved for 14.5 MDCB CE credits (also valid for ARRT). [Get all the details and register now!](#)

### Earn CE Credits Online through the AAMD CE Center

Be sure to check the [AAMD CE Center](#) for a growing collection of CE activities. New content is added each month. Log in today to learn something new that you can apply in your daily work — and earn MDCB CE credits too!