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Dear sonographers, employers of sonographers, educators of sonographers, and interested stakeholders,

Closure of Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists (ACMDTT) Alberta Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (DMS) Roster Period

As of today the DMS rostering period has closed, with 905 DMS rostered. This is a moment of extreme celebration, as the DMS community has risen to the challenge and assisted in the administrative part of this process with openness, excitement and collaborative engagement.

We want to thank all sonographers for their patience as we embarked on this process. We hope to have all files concluded by mid-November, and any outstanding documents will be requested within this time period. If you have not received a confirmation of having been rostered by mid-November, we invite you to connect with the College to verify the status of your file.

To all employers, we thank you for your assistance, for the work that you had to contribute towards verifying practice hours, and signing declarations of competence in certain required instances. This was time consuming, and yet we found such positive support and engagement, for which we are truly grateful. We trust that you will engage with us to determine the obligations and responsibilities that you will have as employers after the regulations are approved. We hope to stay connected with you, to assist in broadening your understanding of the benefits of regulation and the incredible privilege of participating in the process of protecting the public through such highly skilled professionals as the DMS community within Alberta.

We now await updates from the Government of Alberta on the process towards the amendment of the regulations, and are hopeful that by Spring of 2018, we will be registering all of the rostered applicants.

The positive outcomes for this rostering period have been:

- To alleviate concerns of many who were hospital trained, or foreign trained, that they will be accepted into the regulatory environment;
- To establish a shortcut on the administrative burden that arises when the regulations come into effect, enabling the College to have pre-screened applicants;
- To establish contact with DMS in Alberta so as to ensure an easy transition into the regulatory framework;
- To ensure ease and continuity of workflow planning for managers as the registration period commences, with certainty of staff who will proceed efficiently through the College requirements.

We celebrate these outcomes, and we celebrate the 905 rostered applicants.

Any members of the sonography community who did not apply for rostering will be processed when the grand-parenting period opens. Their application will then proceed through a similar verification and validation process.

We will continue to work with Sonography Canada to explore options to support our mutual members, and will keep you updated on developments in this regard.

Thank you all for your participation and enthusiasm.

Yours sincerely,

ALBERTA COLLEGE OF MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC TECHNOLOGISTS

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