

Maryland Radiologic Technologist Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 21, 2024

Time: 6:00pm, EST

Location: WebEx platform

Advisory Committee Members Present:

Kim Bathurst, Erin Mabry, Brenda Schuette, Elisa Basnight, Esq., Mike Mabry, Ericka Lasley, Kelly Kunze, Stacey O'Brien, Tim Merchant, Dr. M. Mahesh, Emily Lee, Kristina Rizk

Advisory Committee Members Absent:

Stephanie Kladis, Alison Conway, Penny Olivi

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:03pm, EST by Kim Bathurst.

Welcome and Introductions

Advisory members in attendance made formal introductions.

Committee Objectives

In upcoming meetings, the advisory committee will define its objectives. However, the committee is committed to supporting change and will prioritize immediate actions to address the technologist shortage and enhance radiologic sciences visibility.

Symposium Feedback

- Advisory committee members, in attendance of symposium, all expressed positive feedback about the symposium, emphasizing the importance of collaboration and action-oriented solutions.
- Additional feedback included that the key areas of focus for making change in Maryland include engaging with younger generations and addressing training and licensing needs for technologists.

Review of Symposium Priorities

- The topics of focus for each breakout session were reviewed. They are:
 - Career Pathways for Limited X-ray Machine Operators (LXMOs)
 - Engaging Youth
 - Competitive Pay
 - Talent Retention
 - Funding
 - Student Curriculum
- **Action Item: Advisory committee will prioritize the top five topics from each tab in the highlights spreadsheet for the breakout sessions and send to Erin Mabry by mid-December (Friday, December 20). A reminder email will be sent prior to the deadline.**

Meeting Cadence

The team will meet January 2025 (first week), on a monthly cadence on Zoom platform. The cadence is adjustable if needed.

Additional Discussion

- Stacey shared that her program is encountering barriers in finding clinical sites. She asked for the attendees to let her know if any opportunity for adding student clinical sites becomes available. Discussions for opportunities will continue offline.
- A recommendation was made to double-check JRCERT clinical site distance requirements and flexibility in site visit distance limits.

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,
Summer Banks