



ADVANCED PRACTICE RADIATION THERAPY (APRT) – SUPPORTING INNOVATION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

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This presentation will provide an overview of how our organization has supported an extremely positive advance practice initiative and assisted in sustaining and spreading the advanced practice movement across Canada.

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PURPOSE/OBJECTIVES

To sustain and spread Advanced Practice (AP) initiatives across the county by:

- Creating a recognized definition for AP at the national level
- Validating the APRT Competency Profile at a national level
- Developing a rigorous national certification process for APRT
- Spreading the initiative to other Medical Radiation Technology disciplines

FINDINGS/IMPACT/OUTCOMES

Defining AP:

- By conducting the national symposium and creating the AP Framework, the CAMRT has developed a national consensus definition for AP
- Has set a national standard to which all future AP roles would be measured by
- Has assisted in the development of AP roles within MRT disciplines beyond radiation therapy

AP Certification:

- Has been instrumental in establishing the baseline requirements for AP roles
- Has been a resource for those who wish to develop AP roles elsewhere in Canada

CONCLUSIONS

National support for the spread and sustainability of innovate AP initiatives roles is very important.