Advisory to Alberta Magnetic resonance technology, Nuclear medicine technology, Radiation therapy and Radiological technology educational programs

Re: entry-to-practice competency profiles in Alberta

The Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists (ACMDTT) stated it had adopted the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists’ (CAMRT) competency profiles for the medical radiation technology specialties that it regulates. The ACMDTT also stated that CAMRT’s profiles reflect current practice in Alberta. Previous entry-to-practice competency profiles in Alberta for these specialties have been rescinded.

The following information relates to this update and its application in the Conjoint Accreditation Services accreditation process.

Accreditation surveys

Criterion 1.3

Programs must now cross-reference their curriculum to the competencies listed in the 2016 Provincial requirements in addition to the national competency profile document. The documents, one per discipline, list the current provincial competencies that are in addition to the national profile. Please note the following:

• The 2016 competencies are not new; they were listed in the 2014 Provincial requirements in addition to the national competency profile document.
• A number of 2014 competencies have been removed.

Criterion 1.5

All provincial competencies for all four specialties are identified as learning environment “A” (didactic). Demonstration of attainment of these competencies can occur in the didactic environment.

Reporting requirement

There are no immediate reporting requirements to Conjoint Accreditation Services related to these revisions. Programs must however continue to teach and assess these competencies.

Programs visited in 2016 and 2017 may use either the 2014 or 2016 documents as part of their phase I submissions.

Please feel free to contact Conjoint Accreditation Services if you have questions about this change.