

The Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists

Annual Report

January 1, 2008 to March 31 2009



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Mission Statement

The Mission of the Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists is to promote excellence and leadership in the practice of Cardio-Respiratory Care



Report from the **President** and the **Registrar**

The Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists: regulates Entry to Practice of Respiratory Therapists; governs the Professional Practice of its Members; and intervenes when there is violation of Professional Conduct Standards.

We are pleased to report to the members the activities of the College in the past year through which we tended to our legislated responsibilities.

President's and Registrar's Annual Report

Greetings from the President, Barbara MacDonald and the Registrar, Shannon McDonald on this our inaugural Annual Report for the Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists.(NSCRT) We are proud to say that the NSCRT celebrated one full year in existence on January 1, 2009 with our fiscal year ending on March 31st. It has been an exciting and busy fourteen months for all Board members who are committed to excellence and innovation.

As of March 31st 2009 there were 242 active practicing therapists who are committed to a health care profession which is evolving in leaps and bounds across the province.



The NSCRT officially became an active member of the *National Alliance for Respiratory Therapy Regulatory Bodies* (NARTRB) in March 2008 and attended our first meeting on May 25 and 26th in Saskatoon. The President and Registrar attend both the Annual General Meeting and the General Meeting for the NARTRB.

As a regulatory body, the NSCRT is now a member of the *Nova Scotia Health Professions Regulatory Network* and has been attending meetings regularly with various stakeholders and government officials regarding provincial health initiatives.

Finally, the Respiratory Therapy profession lost a valued colleague, mentor and friend, Jim Perkins this past year. It was Jim's original vision and guidance that supported the Respiratory Therapy Society of Nova Scotia's (RTSNS) twelve year endeavour to finally become the Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists



Board Members

NSCRT REGISTRAR			
Registrar	Shannon McDonald	registrar@nscrt.com	
NSCRT BOARD MEMBERS 2008/2009			
President	Barbara MacDonald	Barbara.MacDonald@cdha.nshealth.ca	
President Elect	vacant		
Past President	Carol Donaldson	caroladonaldson@gmail.com	
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Director-at-Large	John Cushing	john.cushing@dal.ca	
Director-at-Large	Phil Richardson	philrichardson@hfx.eastlink.ca	
Public Member	Vacant		



Committees

During 2008/2009 the Board moved forward with seeking membership interest and support for development of the following committees: Credentials Committee, Professional Conduct Committee, Professional Practice Committee and Nominations Committee. Two workshops were organized by the NSCRT to facilitate this process.

On November 28th, 2008 the NSCRT Board hosted a "NSCRT Committee Planning Workshop" facilitated by John Sutherland, President of the Pathfinder Group. This was an informative and interactive session involving the volunteers who will form the various committees.

On January 30, 2009 the NSCRT hosted a "Committee Development Workshop" facilitated by Marjorie Hickey QC (McInnis- Cooper). Members of the Complaints Committee, Professional Conduct Committee and the NSCRT Board attended an informative four hour workshop. The Committee members were introduced to the enormous responsibilities they will bear when working on these two critical committees.

Committee Members

Complaints Committee Members:

Seely Alder Chair

Alex Carter Public Member

Denise Mitchell Noel Pendergast Sylvia Vardy

Professional Conduct Committee Members

Dawn O'Hearn Chair

Chastity Bennett Debbie Gillis Rory Lake

Lauren Randall Public Member

Donna Young

Nominations Committee Members:

Carol Donaldson Chair

Noel Pendergast Patty Winfield

Credentials Committee Members:

Phil Richardson Chair

Christine Siteman Cheri Davison Jim Jones

Shannon McDonald Ex-officio

Professional Practice Committee Members:

Rob Martell Chair

Dan Meagher Donna Young

Sarah Boyne Board Representative

Shannon McDonald Ex-officio

Financial Statements

Peverill & Associates Incorporated Nova Scotia College of **Respiratory Therapists** FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2009

Peverill & Associates Incorporated

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of: Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists

We have audited the statement of financial position of Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists as at March 31, 2009 and the statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the college's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the college as at March 31, 2009 and the results of its operations and the changes in its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Bedford, Nova Scotia May 21, 2009

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT MARCH 31, 2009

	2009
ASSETS	
CURRENT	
Cash - Current Account	\$ 176,455
Accounts Receivable	2,400
Prepaid Expenses	2,886
Investments	33,152
	\$ 214,893
LIABILITIES	1
CURRENT	
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 7,475
Deferred Revenue	100,400
	107,875
NET ASSETS	
CONTRIBUTED AND OTHER SURPLUS	58,507
NET ASSETS	48,511
	107,018
	\$214,893
APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE COLLEGE:	
President	
Treasurer	