

***Manitoba Association of Registered Respiratory Therapists***

**Government Appointed Board Members**

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**Mandate:**

The Manitoba Association of Registered Respiratory Therapists (MARRT) is established under *The Registered Respiratory Therapists Act*. MARRT is a professional and licensing body governing Registered Respiratory Therapists in Manitoba.

Respiratory therapy is the medically supervised and co-ordinated scientific application of techniques and procedures to assist a physician in the safe and effective diagnosis, treatment, and promotion of the well being of patients with respiratory and associated disorders.

**Responsibilities:**

**Board of Directors**

Generally directs and conducts the business and affairs of the Association.

**Complaints Committee**

Receive and review complaints brought against any member and where the committee considers it appropriate attempts to informally resolve the matter.

**Discipline Committee**

Upon receipt of a notice of appeal by a complainant, the Discipline Committee considers the matter, the recommendation of the Complaints Committee and the report on the preliminary investigation and either directs that no further action be taken or initiates an inquiry.

**Advisory Council**

The council shall advise and make such recommendations to the board as will enable the board to

- (a) prescribe basic standards, (including standards of curricular and preadmission standards), and make regulations for respiratory therapy education programs governing such matters as, in the opinion of the council, require to be regulated for the purpose of securing an effective educational program for students of respiratory therapy;
- (b) make those standards and regulations known to all interested persons, agencies and institutions upon request;
- (c) provide for verification, by means of visits or otherwise, that those standards are being met and those regulations observed.

## **Membership:**

### Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is composed of eight members, two of whom shall be public representatives appointed by the Minister.

### Complaints Committee

The Board shall appoint a Complaints Committee consisting of:

- a) Three members of the association; and
- b) Two public representatives, one of whom shall be appointed by the Minister and the second member shall be appointed by the Board.

### Discipline Committee

The board shall establish a discipline committee comprised of:

- a) a person as recommended by the minister; and
- b) three individuals whose names are entered in the roster of active practising members.

### Advisory Council

The following persons shall be members of the council:

- a) a physician duly licensed to practise in Manitoba and appointed by the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Manitoba;
- b) one person nominated by the minister;
- c) three persons appointed by the board.

## **Length of Terms:**

All terms are for two years.

## **Desirable Expertise:**

In all aspects of service on this board it is imperative that the public representative be comfortable advocating in the public interest.

### Board of Directors – Discipline Committee/Complaints Committee

- cannot be a member of the Association;
- someone with some background or interest in health issues;
- previous board/committee experience would be an asset.

### Advisory Council

- someone who has a background in post-secondary education;
- someone whose career has been involved in any educational programs or standards setting;
- someone with some experience in regulating and licensing would be an asset.

## **Time Commitment:**

### Board of Directors

Approximately nine times per year or at the call of the Chair and an annual general meeting in May.

Committees

Minimum of one meeting per year, or as required, to review their Terms of Reference, etc.

Advisory Council

Meetings have been limited, however, it is expected that the council will become more active due to changes in the labour mobility field.

**Meetings:**

All meetings are held in Winnipeg.

**Remuneration:**

Advisory Council - no remuneration. However, if the appointee is also on the board, he/she would receive \$350 per year, paid by the Association.