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A Message from Your President



Autumn Greetings TRI-STATE Members!

Thank you to those members who joined us at the Fall Scientific Meeting. Emilie LaRocque topic was “Cranial Anomalies”, her presentation was not only interesting, but she was able to explain **Hemifacial microsomia**. A condition in which the tissues on one side of the face are underdeveloped which mostly affects the ear, mouth, and jaw areas. Sometimes, Hemifacial microsomia is also known as Goldenhar syndrome which she faces with her daughter. We were able to award 2 continuing education units and thank her for a most informative presentation.

We also had some fun with medical terminology with Lori Beucar. We were able to have a fun utilizing our cell phones and testing our knowledge of the medical language. We all scored and beat the clock most of the time. A wonderful way to polish our knowledge and review our terms!

Remember to Comply with the Certification Continuation Program (CCP) every three years. CCP requires AMT certified members to document activities supporting continuation of AMT certification every three years.

Certified members who do not meet CCP requirements, or those who are audited and do not provide supporting documentation, are considered Non-Compliant and will have their certification revoked. It is your responsibility to keep supporting documentation in a file so that you can be fully prepared to submit to AMT, if requested.

Autumn is the perfect time to take account of what we've done, what we didn't do, and what we'd like to do next year. ~Author Unknown

We can't do it without you. The Tristate Society is active in CT- RI and MA and we have many active members and positions open. It takes a team to grow an organization and we have so much talent to make it happen. I am looking for a team to make this possible. I am still searching to fill the following positions...

1. Editor
2. Board Members
3. Activities Chair- Legislation Chair and more.

I will provide job descriptions for each available position. These positions are **volunteer** positions. A great way to add your pride of profession to your resumes, career development and networking with other states. Please contact me for additional information.

Tristate has a new email trissamt@gmail.com – Connect with me with ideas for future topics to present or your interest in serving on our team.

It is important to stay certified, be sure you update your profile with AMT and pay your dues, so you are sure to receive all the benefits membership provides as well as receiving emails with updated information.

As another year comes to an end, it's time for family members and friends to get together and express their thankfulness for one another, especially on this upcoming Thanksgiving Day. On behalf of the Board and myself we wish you and your family's blessings of health, happiness and success for today and this upcoming holiday season.

Wishing you Happiness and Peace,

Phyllis Nordby, RMA, President Tri-State Society

Eastern Councillor Message



Greetings everyone! Heartfelt prayers for our AMT members, family, and friends; may they rest in peace. Special prayers toward a healthful recovery for our AMT members, family, and friends who may be presently battling with a health condition.

During the 2018 AMT Educational Program and National Meeting and Events at the Hyatt Regency, Washington, DC on Capitol Hill, the state societies and the members were recognized for state and national level participation.

The Eastern District State Society and member award recipients were:

2017 Honor Roll State Societies were: Maine/New Hampshire
Pennsylvania

Pillar Awards: Robin A. Miliner, MT- Maryland

Fifty-Year Pin Recipients: Patricia Anne Berlin, MT- Pennsylvania

Joseph Diciccio, MT- Rhode Island

Richard Huysie, MT- New Jersey

Teresa V. Klamar, MT- Pennsylvania

Douglas MacDonald, MT- Pennsylvania

John Rudnick, MT- Pennsylvania

Harry Eddy Vangelder, MT- New York

Friend of AMT Award: James Van Rhee- Connecticut

Phlebotomist of the Year: Ivette Rivera, RMA, AHI, RPT- New York

Order of the Golden Microscope: Kimberly Chevront, PhD, MT- West Virginia
Congratulations, keep up the great work!!!

At the 2018 AMT Annual Business Meeting the total delegate attendance after roll call were 225, whereby it would require 151 votes to adopt an amendment and 113 votes to elect. Congratulations to the new elected board members. The results of the Board Member National Elections for the two positions MT/MLT/CMLA/COLT were:

Marty Hinkel, MT- WY

Harry Narine, MT- Trinidad and Tobago

In addition, for the one position RMA/CMAS/RPT/RDA was:

Francine Oran, RMA- NE

Congratulations to the students from the Swedish Institute College of Health Sciences of New York City, who represented the Eastern District at the 2018 AMT Medical Assistant Student Challenge Bowl.

We had over 400 in attendance at Washington, DC. This was the second largest turn out at the AMT National Convention. Mark your calendar, the next AMT convention will be in Chicago, IL the “windy city” July 1- 5, 2019 at the Chicago Hilton Hotel on Michigan Avenue.

All members are welcomed to attend the state society meetings, participate, and be involved. Take the opportunity to network with your peers. Dates and place for the meetings and events are posted on the state society website and advertised on the state society newsletters. If you have not attended an AMT National Convention, 2019 should be the year that you make the effort and see what you have been missing.

I hope everyone had a beautiful summer. Let us welcome the fall beautiful bouquets of colorful foliage, followed by the holidays.

At this time, each society is planning and preparing for the coming state society meetings, layout the materials for the newsletter or journal, and the state society officers and board members are reviewing checklist of duties to complete.

Log onto the AMT website under “stay certified” to view the video on the instructions of how to record your CEU using the AMTrax. Frequently, view the AMT website for updates from the AMT Board strategic future planning for the organization.

See you at the state meetings! Enjoy the holidays! See you at Chicago!!

Remember to be, share, and shine!!!

With best regards,

Ivette Rivera

Ivette Rivera, RMA, AHI, RPT (AMT)

Eastern District Councillor

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**ASK ME ABOUT BECOMING A DELEGATE
REPRESENT TRI-STATE AT THE NATIONAL MEETING
2019**

Mark Your Calendar

July 1-5, 2019

AMT in Chicago 81st Educational Program and National Meeting

The Chicago Hilton Hotel is ideally situated in the heart of the “Windy City” on Michigan Avenue in the South Loop, where incredible experiences are around every corner including Grant Park, Shedd Aquarium, Adler Planetarium, Museum of Science & Industry, Field Museum, and the famous Art Institute of Chicago.

Special Hotel Rates

For additional Information: Contact AMT: 10700 West Higgins Road, Suite 150, Rosemont, IL 60018

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To be a Delegate for the AMT Educational Program and National Meeting July 1-5, 2019



The following responsibilities must be met prior to receiving any stipend:

1. Must credential prior to the Annual Business Meeting.
2. Must attend Resolutions Committee meeting.
3. Must attend Meet the Candidates.
4. Must attend the District meeting.
5. Must attend the Town Hall meeting.
6. Must attend the Annual Business meeting.
7. Must submit a delegate report as per SS requirements.
8. Any other requirements the SS may require.

Contact Phyllis Nordby to register as a delegate- trissamt@gmail.com



Check this out!

REACH Certificate Programs

Each REACH Certificate Program is an online training curriculum focused on a specialty area or specific skillset. At the successful conclusion of each course, the healthcare professional is awarded a certificate to signify mastery of the subject-matter. In addition, a digital badge is issued that can be shared via social media with employers and other interested parties.

Each REACH certificate course is administered online by AMT and varies in length. The courses are self-paced, not moderated, and can be taken on any computer. Average length of a course is 5 hours and grants an equivalent number of CE points. The courses can be taken on any computer (no tablet or phone). They are modular with multiple lessons and quizzes within each module. The quizzes can be taken multiple times but the final assessment, usually around 100 questions, is only taken once. At the successful conclusion of the course, the participant is awarded a certificate and a digital badge. Certificates may have an expiration date.

For more information....

<https://www.americanmedtech.org/Learn/REACHCertificatePrograms>



TRISTATE SCIENTIFIC MEETING FUN!



The Torch is a new resource for AMT-certified members and exam candidates, as well as the professionals who educate, mentor, and employ them. You make a difference in the patient care every day, and we hope this will be a resource throughout your allied health career.

The Torch will serve as a content hub for AMT information, making it easy to find the news and information you need, all in one place. What you'll find on our blog:

- Certification tips and FAQs
- Healthcare and AMT news/updates
- Information on our nine certifications: Medical Assistant (RMA), Phlebotomy Technician (RPT), Medical Administrative Specialist (CMAS), Dental Assistant (RDA), Medical Technologist (MT), Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT), Medical Laboratory Assistant (CMLA), Certified Laboratory Consultant (CLC) Allied Health Instructor (AHI)
- Career advice (job search, advice, articles)



<http://www.americanmedtech.org/Blog/Blog-Post/ArticleID/9/Welcome-to-The-Torch>



Member Spotlight on AMT recognizing AMT members who make a difference in patients' healthcare experience. AMT will continuously feature new members, so check out <https://www.americanmedtech.org/Be-Involved/Member-Spotlight> or follow on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to see future AMT Member Spotlights.

Looking to Make an Impact?

Become an Author of an Article for the CE Journal

Make an impact on your profession by writing an article for AMT's CE Journal!

AMT is looking for individuals to write articles on topics relevant to our certifiants. If your article is accepted for publication you can get 10 certification continuation program (CCP) points and first-time authors receive a modest stipend if the article is published.

<https://www.americanmedtech.org/Be-Involved/Looking-to-Make-an-Impact>

Upcoming Events

March 3-9, 2019

Please join AMT and Dental Assistants across the country in celebrating Dental Assistants Recognition Week.

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