



## Statement on Yardstick Response to the Cancellation of the July 9, 2018 CBRC examination

As we approach the end of the clinical year for respiratory therapy students, the British Columbia Society of Respiratory Therapists and the Respiratory Therapy Leaders of British Columbia want to briefly revisit the events of last year's CBRC July exam. In July of 2018 many BCSRT student members were impacted by the CBRC unplanned exam cancellation and re-write due to a third party system failure.

Stated thru CSRT communication: "officials at Yardstick Assessment Strategies (Yardstick) indicated that they will be reimbursing only a portion of the original full examination fee to those who attempted to write the exam on July 9, 2018. That communication indicated that Yardstick had hoped to refund the entire exam fee, but since the remaining portion of this fee is money that we collect and remit for others, we are not able to refund those amounts - as had been promised in an earlier communication to exam writers."

The British Columbia Society of Respiratory Therapists and the Respiratory Therapy Leaders of British Columbia are in agreement with the CSRT position recognizing the impact of costs and emotional hardships that the technical failure and exam cancellation. This impacted many of the BCSRT members and that it was highly recommended that the initial commitment of reimbursement and cost covering be considered.

On behalf of the BCSRT and RTLBC,

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