

## NCTRC Meeting of Certificants

ATRA Annual Conference  
Indianapolis, IN  
Monday, September 19, 2011  
12:30pm

Teresa Beck, CTRS, Chair  
NCTRC Board of Directors

Bob Riley, CTRS  
Executive Director



## Call To Order

- ◆ Call to Order:  
Teresa Beck, Chair, NCTRC
- ◆ Welcome and Purpose
- ◆ Review and Approval of 2010 Minutes



## Review of 2010 Minutes

NCTRC 2010 Official Certificant's  
Meeting  
ATRA Annual Conference  
Spokane, WA  
September 13, 2010



## NCTRC's Mission

"To protect the consumer of  
therapeutic recreation services  
by promoting the provision of  
quality services offered by  
NCTRC certificants"



# HAPPY



# HAPPY 30<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY!!!



## NCTRC

- ◆ Established in 1981
- ◆ NCTRC had a past legacy of prior achievement
- ◆ Service oriented organization dedicated to protect the public and improve RT practice
- ◆ Guided by talented and devoted professionals who had a clear vision
- ◆ Accredited in 1993 by National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA)
- ◆ 14,000 individuals on NCTRC CTRS Registry
- ◆ Recognized as cornerstone of the RT profession...institution of progress

## NCTRC

### Acknowledgements

- ◆ Past Chairpersons
- ◆ Past Board Members
- ◆ Past Committee Members
- ◆ Past Staff
- ◆ Current CTRSs with 25 to 30 Years Certification
- ◆ Current CTRSs

### Board of Directors 2011-12

**Teresa Beck**, CTRS (2009-2012) Chairperson  
**Shay L. Dawson**, CTRS (2010-2013) Vice Chairperson  
**Mary E. Broach**, CTRS (2010-2013) Secretary  
**Karla L. Belzer**, CTRS (2011-2014) Treasurer

**Janet J. Turner**, CTRS (2011-2014) Employer Representative  
**William Sturges**, (2009-2012) Consumer Representative  
**Vincent Bonadies**, CTRS (2010-2013)  
**Suzanne Melcher Thompson**, CTRS (2009-2012)  
**Patricia K. Thomas**, CTRS (2011-2014)



### Standing Committees

#### Standards Review Committee

(Review New Applicant Appeals and all Disciplinary and Trademark requests)

**Julie A. Bradwell**, CTRS, Chair, NC (2011-2014)  
**Julie A. Belding**, CTRS, NE (2010-2013)  
**Kelly J. Ramella**, CTRS, AZ (2010-2013)



### Standing Committees

#### Standards Hearing Committee

(Review CTRS Recertification Appeals)

**James L. Barrett**, CTRS, Chair, NC (2007-2013)  
**Maridith A. Curfman-Janssen**, CTRS, CA (2011-2014)  
**Shelly E. Oda**, CTRS, UT (2009-2012)



### Standing Committees

#### Exam Management Committee

(Maintains NCTRC Exam)

**Lisa A. Mische Lawson**, CTRS, Chair, KS (2009-2012)  
**Christopher Richard**, CTRS, ON, CA (2010-2013)  
**John Shank**, CTRS, PA (2011-2014)



## NCTRC Staff

Sumita Gupta	Michael Kopec
Sandra Henriquez	Howard Marryshow
Sonia Jorge	Robin McNeal, CTRS
Susan Kaufer, CTRS	Noelle Molloy, CTRS
	Bob Riley, CTRS



## Receipt of Communication to the Board of Directors

- ◆ The NCTRC Board of Directors was in receipt of 12 letters from CTRSs during 2010-2011.
- ◆ The letters addressed a variety of topics.
- ◆ Each letter received an initial response from the NCTRC office.
- ◆ All correspondences to the NCTRC Board were reviewed and discussed at either the April or November full Board meetings.
- ◆ A follow-up response was sent regarding all Board discussion and action as appropriate.



## NCTRC Meeting Agenda

- ◆ ICE/NCCA Annual Accreditation
- ◆ Standards Update
- ◆ Credentialing Process
- ◆ Exam Information
- ◆ Specialty Certification
- ◆ Marketing
- ◆ Newsletter
- ◆ Nominations and Elections
- ◆ Future Initiatives



## ICE Update

- ◆ Approval 2011 Annual Report
- ◆ ICE/NCCA Re-Accreditation
- ◆ Five Year Period (2008-2013)
- ◆ No Citations or Re-writes
- ◆ Important and Valuable Process



## Standards Update

2012

Effective January 1, 2012

Supportive Coursework Information:  
Anatomy & Physiology Requirement

... If a single course is used to meet this requirement (i.e. Human Anatomy and/or Human Physiology), then the course must address anatomy and physiology in equal parts (at least 50% of the course respectively)

## Standards Update

2013

Effective January 1, 2013

Content Course Change: Increase in Therapeutic Recreation Content Course Requirements

### Academic Path

\*A minimum of 18 semester or 24 quarter credit hours of therapeutic recreation and general recreation content coursework with no less than a minimum of 15 semester or 20 quarter credit hours in therapeutic recreation content. A minimum of 5 courses in therapeutic recreation is required and each course must be a minimum of 3 credit hours; AND...

### Equivalency Path A & B

A minimum of 18 semester or 24 quarter credit hours of therapeutic recreation and general recreation content coursework with no less than a minimum of 15 semester or 20 quarter credit hours in therapeutic recreation content. A minimum of 5 courses in therapeutic recreation is required and each course must be a minimum of 3 credit hours. **Two (2) of the required therapeutic recreation courses may be taught by the applicant as a full-time educator; AND...**

## Standards Update

2013

Effective January 1, 2013

Content Course Change: Content Specific Therapeutic Recreation Coursework Requirements

Content specific Therapeutic Recreation coursework will be required as part of the NCTRC professional eligibility requirements. The specific course content will include the following areas: a/ Assessment; b/ TR Process; and c/ Advancement of the Profession. It is recommended that each content area be addressed by a specific TR course and that at a minimum at least 50% of the course be devoted to the designated content material.

## Standards Update

2013

Effective January 1, 2013

Field Placement Standards Information: Increase in the Number of Internship Weeks and Hours

### Academic Path

A minimum 560-hour, fourteen (14) consecutive week field placement experience in therapeutic recreation services that uses the therapeutic recreation process as defined by the current NCTRC Job Analysis.

## Standards Update

2013

Effective January 1, 2013

Field Placement Standards information: Academic

Field Placement Supervisor must possess the CTRS Credential

The Academic Field Placement Supervisor must be an active CTRS at the start of the field placement experience and is required to sign the final Field Placement Verification Form signifying that the candidate completed all stated components of the NCTRC field placement requirements.

## Exam Statistics

<u>Exam Date</u>	<u>Number Tested</u>	<u>Pass Rate</u>
October 2010	564	74%/67%
January 2011	297	70%/61%
May 2011	521	74%/70%
*October 2011	604	

1<sup>st</sup> Time/Overall

\* Approximately 53.2% of new applicants used the Degree Pending Application Option

## NCTRC Practice Exam

- ◆ Implemented December 2007
- ◆ Contains 75 Retired Items
- ◆ Includes Reference and Rationale
- ◆ Available On-line at
  - [www.nctrc.org](http://www.nctrc.org)
  - Click on "Exam"



## Annual Renewal and Recertification Statistics

- ◆ Annual Renewal:
  - Nov 2010 to June 2011
  - 7267 Renewals
  - 86.2% Renewal Rate
- ◆ Recertification:
  - Nov 2010 to June 2011
  - 1626 applications
  - 96.4% were approved
  - 3.0% used exam option



## Specialty Certification

- ◆ Specialty Certificant Program approved by NCTRC BOD November, 2008
- ◆ May 2010 Implementation Date
- ◆ CTRS-based program
- ◆ Expertise Recognition Emphasis
- ◆ Five Specialty Areas
- ◆ 33 Applications Received
- ◆ 18 Specialty Certifications Awarded



## Marketing of the Credential

- ◆ Attendance at National and Regional Conferences
- ◆ Outreach to Canadian Market
- ◆ Available Marketing & PR materials
- ◆ Educator Broadcasts
- ◆ CTRS Advocacy Project
  - NCTRC Position Paper on Legal Recognition
  - Licensure Advocacy



## Newsletter

- ◆ New On-line Format
- ◆ Bi-Monthly Contact
- ◆ Updates and Reminders
- ◆ "Did You Know...?" Feature
- ◆ Favorable Reviews by CTRSs
- ◆ Suggestions for Topics



## Nominations and Elections

- ◆ NCTRC 2011 Elections
- ◆ Invitation to Run for the NCTRC BOD
  - NCTRC Board of Directors 2013-2016
  - Contact NCTRC for Nomination Forms
- ◆ Committee Appointments
- ◆ Ad hoc Committees



## Strategic Initiatives

- ◆ Explore New Data Management System
- ◆ Use of NCTRC e-Blast for CEU Notification
- ◆ Review CEU Acceptance Policy
- ◆ CEU Pre-Approval
  - ATRA Annual Conference
  - Organizations
  - Individuals
- ◆ Explore Competency Based Field Placement for CEU credit
- ◆ CTRS Advocacy State Licensure Project
- ◆ Development Workshop for State/Provincial Licensure



Questions  
or  
Comments



## Adjournment

**THANK YOU!**

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