

NBSCT Director Report March 2021

Greetings to CSCT members from New Brunswick.

As we are each navigating our way through our own provincial Covid path, New Brunswick has made efforts to ensure that the patients in our province are having their cardiac needs met the best way that we, as Cardiology technologists can. We have hosted drive through pacemaker check ups for our patients, as well as ramping up our efforts to provide home monitoring for our device patients. Routine stress testing, holter and event monitoring and electrocardiograms are still being performed as well. All this is being accomplished without any increase in staffing, and at times with less staff than normal, as some redeployment of resources is happening to accommodate screening, and various activities that our health authorities see fit for Covid protocols.

As well, the cardiology technologists in NB are accumulating our CEUs without our usual in-service educational sessions, as other provinces are as well, I am sure. We have gotten 100% compliance from our membership in this regard.

The executive of the NBSCT is in the process of providing our members with a non surgical face mask with our provincial logo displayed on it. This will allow us to proudly promote our profession, at a time when some of the public see front line healthcare workers as mainly doctors and nurses.

The NBSCT is planning an AGM in September, with a likelihood of this being accomplished via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

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