



## Position Statement on Breast Screening Services

### Preamble:

*WHEREAS breast cancer is a devastating illness, both to the people who suffer from the disease and their families;*

*WHEREAS early detection has been scientifically proven to increase the likelihood that effective treatment can be provided;*

*WHEREAS Canada has the second-highest incidence of breast cancer, and;*

*WHEREAS the New Brunswick Department of Health has moved to proactively address this issue by establishing a [provincial breast-screening program](#);*

### Position:

The New Brunswick Regulatory College of Medical Radiation Technologists (NBRCMRT) affirms its commitment to promoting and protecting the health and well-being of individuals in New Brunswick through the following measures:

- **Professional Care:**  
Ensuring individuals undergoing breast screening or monitoring receive compassionate, high-quality care from Medical Radiation Technologists (MRTs) who have obtained certification and who are registered and licensed with the NBRCMRT.
- **Quality Assurance**  
Maintaining and enhancing the quality of mammography examinations and related services by requiring MRTs to successfully complete the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists (CAMRT) Mammography education program and encouraging ongoing professional development and education;
- **Patient Education:**  
Supporting the provision for consistent, accurate information by qualified MRTs regarding screening programs, breast self-examination, radiographic procedures, and follow-up care;
- **Collaboration:**  
Promoting a collaborative approach among health care professionals, the Canadian



Cancer Society, the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, and other public health and cancer support organizations, and advising the public of this joint commitment;

- **Public Awareness:**

Helping to increase awareness of the importance and availability of screening programs and about breast self-examination through the collaborative development and timely distribution of factual public information.

**Adoption:**

This position statement was originally adopted in January 2010 and revised in November 2025