

CARDIOLOGY TECHNOLOGISTS  
ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA



Fall 2015 NewsLetter

# Cardiology Technologist Association of Nova Scotia

We do our job with Heart!

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Hello Cardiology Technologists of Nova Scotia and PEI!

This is very exciting times for the CTANS members! New website, new members, new ways of providing exams, new ways of doing business. Please read on!

Please join me to welcome all the new Cardiology Technologist Graduates in Nova Scotia & PEI. I realize some of the students are in the waiting phase to receive your marks. (Five students just wrote on Friday) Although the waiting can be difficult, remember how far you came and the knowledge you have absorbed from the time you were first received in the program!

The AGM, held in Halifax in May 2015, was a huge success. A great big Thank You to the Organizing Committee. You did a great job! As a matter of fact, you did such a great job there was no problem getting two enthusiastic Cape Breton Cardiology Technologists to offer to host the 2016 Education Day and AGM. (Danielle and Alicia had potential fund raising, sponsors, speakers, venues and food planned before they returned home from the Halifax 2015 AGM!) More to follow from the CB Organizing Committee!

CTANS dues are due no later than October 31, 2015. Ashley Samms, our Registrar, has included more information later in this Newsletter.

This is the end of the second year of triennium. All members are encouraged to submit their CEU's to our CEU Co-ordinator, Carolyn Ayotte, by the end of Dec 2015. Address is on the revised form. Please submit yearly! Even if you are a new member to the province or a recent graduate and have just written the CSCT exam, you should submit. It is less stressful for you, the member, and for Carolyn our Co-ordinator, if you to send your CEUs in yearly instead of scrambling to gather them at the end of the triennium.

The CTANS Executive Members had a meeting 12 Sept 2015 in Halifax. The talented and well prepared Board members are working tirelessly and are sending submissions to the News Letter to ensure that the members are well informed.

Andrew, our Web Master, before leaving to travel the world, has recently offered his resignation. Andrew will be now be using his time on his studies. Best of Luck Andrew in your new field and a huge Thank You for the Logo and all the hours spent on our website. You did a great job!

We would also like to put the spot light on another Board Member, Linda Gregory! Linda has served as a volunteer member in various positions for most of her career. She had a knowledge base of both the Nova Scotia Association and the National Association that was overwhelming.



**Thank you Linda** for all you have done, for all the assistance and all your free time that you spent helping others!

Tonya Morrell, our past Chair and now Vice Chair, will be attending the CCC and Chairing the AGM in Toronto in October. I think I can speak for everyone when I say that Tonya represented the CTANS on the CSCT in the most professional manner. You Make Us Proud! Thank you!

As the Chair of CTANS, I was honoured to attend the Board of Directors meeting of the CSCT in Calgary in June 2015. I will also be attending the CCC in Toronto in October for Board Meetings and the AGM. I will keep you posted on important information either in the spring News Letter or on the Website. Please check our CTANS Website often. It is a new format and Mike Roach, our Webmaster, will attempt to have frequent updates as required.

As always, I would like to invite everyone to submit articles for the newsletter or ideas for the website. Please forward them to me at [brendawall@syd.eastlink.ca](mailto:brendawall@syd.eastlink.ca) or [Brenda@ctans.ca](mailto:Brenda@ctans.ca)

On closing I will add that on Sunday 27 Sept 2015, there will be a rare simultaneous occurrence of two astrological phenomena. The moon will appear Red, known as a "Blood Moon," during a total lunar eclipse and it will also appear larger known as a "Super Moon". This event is so rare that some people will never get the chance to see this "Super Blood Moon" again. I hope that we all have the chance to glance skyward and view it. Note: This occurrence has absolutely no relevance to this News Letter or Cardiology Technology! Or does it? ☺

Respectfully  
Brenda Wall, RCT  
CTANS President / Chair

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CEU reminder ☺

From: Carolyn Ayotte, CEU Co-ordinator

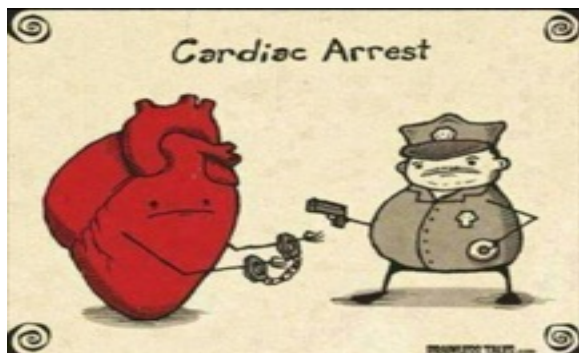
The end of the Triennium is 2016!!

Preceptor CEU calculation:

1 unit for 5 hours

MAX 5 UNITS PER YEAR

15 per TRIENNIUM





## CSCT Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

**10 Units per year (Year two of triennium ) Jan 2014 – Dec 2016**  
**Photocopies of Certificates required**

*Forward to CEU Co-ordinator : Carolyn Ayotte, 5525 Almond Street, Halifax, NS, B3K 1T4*

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CSCT#** \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Category	Course Name	Hours	Official Use Only
<b>Total Continuing Education Units:</b>				

**Print below the name you would like on your certificate:**

**First:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Initial:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Surname:** \_\_\_\_\_



## CTANS CEU GUIDELINES

### CATEGORY 1 CATEGORY 1. CARDIOLOGY

#### CSCT Recognized Certificate /Diploma Courses

1 credit course	6units	
2credit courses	12units	
3credit courses	18units	
4credit courses	24units	
5credit courses	30units	maximum:30units

### CATEGORY 2 ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

1unit/5hours	
Part time courses	maximum 6units
Full time courses	maximum 30units
CPR	1unit
BCLS LEVEL C	1unit/hour
ACLS	5units
ACLS updates	3units
Instructor Level	1unit/public course
First Aid	
Emergency (1day)	2units
Standard (2days)	5units

### CATEGORY 3 GENERAL EDUCATION

Computer Courses	1unit/1/2 hour
Part Time Courses Completed	maximum 6units
Full Time Courses Completed	maximum 30 units



## CATEGORY 4 PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Publishing a Newsletter/Article 1unit/8hours

Note: Outline must be submitted for assessing units

Teleconference (1hour) 1unit

AGM Attendance (8hours) 5units

CTANS Approved Education Seminars  
Attendance 1unit/1hour

Note-Excluding time for Lunch & breaks  
Workshop Prep & Presentation 6units

### Teaching a Course:

Prep Work 5units (one time only)

Presentation 1unit

Clinical Preceptors/per student placement 5units \ Max5 per yr

Note: Teaching if part of your job is not eligible for CEU's.

Public Education Events 3units

Research Projects 5units

Education Seminar /Work shop (4hours) 4units

Grand Rounds (date and brief outline) .5units

In Service Allied Health Professionals 5units/8hours

### Publishing a Cardiology Paper

Article/Abstract (Author) 30 units

Co-Authors 25units



**Writing Cardiology Registration**

Post Certification Speciality Exams

Theory

10 units

Practical

5units

Attending CTANS/CSCT Meetings

1unit/Hour

.5unit/1/2Hour

**EXECUTIVE MEETING**

Report Submitted

2units

Report Submitted but meeting not attended

1unit

Maximum per meeting

5units

**Reading Health Related Articles**

.5unit/article

Include Author, Journal and date published, plus brief outline of article .

Television program on Health Issues

.5unit/program

Must include name of program, date plus brief outline of program.

Preceptor Workshop

5units

Invilgilate Exams

5units

Employer Related Committee

2units/1yr term

Cardiology Related Committee

1unit/meeting

Provincial Health Related Committee

1unit/meeting

Note: If any errors or omissions on this list the CEU co-ordinator will have the final determination.





Hi CTANS members!

I hope everyone had a relaxing and healthy summer! This is a friendly reminder that it is that time of year again, Dues time! Dues are to be paid by no later than October 31, 2015. You are able to pay by check or money order. Member renewal forms MUST be filled out and attached with payment. The forms are on the CTANS website; [www.ctans.ca](http://www.ctans.ca), under members . If for whatever reason, you are unable to pay dues by October 31,2015 please contact me and we will set something up.

If your payment is received after October 31, there will be a \$25 late fee. Your receipt and card will NOT be mailed until the late fee is paid.

Now that we are all under the same health authority, I am encouraging everyone to talk to their payroll department to see if automatic bi-weekly withdrawal for dues is available. The bi-weekly withdrawal is \$15.60 until dues are paid in full. When it comes time for due payments the hospital payroll will send out a cheque on your behalf. It's a nice option and that way you don't have to worry about paying! But you will have to complete the form.

I hope everyone has a great fall, and see you in Sydney next year!!

Ashley Samms CTANS Registrar & Treasurer



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**Renewal of association dues for 2016**



**Deadline: October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015**

\*\*\*\*\* **\$25.00 Late Fee applied after deadline** \*\*\*\*\*

**Please check applicable:** (fee for NSF Cheques will reflect the bank charges )

\$280.00	Registered	( )
\$75.00	Student/Associate	( )
\$80.00	Inactive	( )
\$120.00	PEI members only	( )

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Mailing Address:** ( please include street name & #, city and postal code )

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**Hospital:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

**CSCT#:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CTANS#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make cheque or Money Order payable to: \*\* CTANS \*\***

**Mail to:** Ashley Samms, CTANS Reg/Tres , 558 Bedford Hwy,  
Apt 307, Halifax, NS, B3M 0A2





Beannachtaí do gach! (*Greetings to all*)

Cape Breton AGM – May 2016

With the arrival of autumn equinox, our beautiful island becomes an amazing spectacle of fall foliage. But, while the Celtic colours dazzle, the AGM committee have been busy little ants planning for May 2016 - AGM in the Cape!

We are pleased to announce that the AGM weekend will begin on Friday evening with TGIF Do-Drop-In at the home of our new manager, Kelly MacNeil. The venue for Education Day & AGM will be the Cambridge Suites in Sydney. Discount suite rates will be available for the attendees. Also, we are arranging presentations for Education Day that will prove to be both informative & engaging.

Alas, as Cape Bretoners we work hard, and play hard. So expect a wee lil' fun in the mix for our weekend. Come try your luck as the Cape Breton sensation sweeping the nation comes to the AGM; "Chase The Ace". We will be holding our very own AGM version of Chase The Ace. More details to follow in the Spring newsletter. Looking forward to seeing you all in May.

Come Play On Our Island!



Sincerely,  
CB AGM Planning Committee

In conclusion: The to do list: ☺

- a. Send out your dues to Ashley and your CEUs to Carolyn.
- b. Enjoy what is left of this beautiful autumn weather and plan to visit CB in May.