

Draft Campaign Letter

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Dear Sir:

RE: It's Medical Radiation Technologist Week

I am sending you this message because I am waiting for good news and a show of recognition for all of the professional services provided to Saskatchewan patients daily in diagnostic imaging departments within our acute care facilities.

We have hundreds of Medical Radiation Technologists (MRTs) in Saskatchewan who work very hard every day in our public health care system; they work in a number of classifications including MRTs, Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists (MRI Techs), Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (DMS), Diagnostic Cardiac Sonographers (DCS); there are those who are Working Supervisors, those who are Clinical Coordinators and those with Dual Credential.

As our Ministers in charge of our Public Health Care system, we would like you to know two things about this valuable group who offer their professional skills to patients across the province:

1. Physicians cannot perform their roles and deliver health care services to their patients without provision of the valuable diagnostic resources offered by this large group of professionals; and
2. This large group of professionals have very recently learned that their compensatory pay band will be reduced by between 8 to 14 percent – this does NOT demonstrate value for their services, nor does it protect the overall wellbeing of our health care system.

We would like you to know that the downgraded wages will most certainly lend to an outward migration of future grads as well as current health sector employees who work in these roles.

Please give this your immediate attention and stop the implementation of these cuts.

Thank you for your earliest reply.

Sincerely,