

**NUCLEAR MEDICINE PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 4, 2005 @ 7:00 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Katherine Ford, Helen Jean, Lindsey Willis, Diane Chacon, Kelly Love, Lydia Heard, Dr. Bill Byrd, Danielle Barnes, Danita Morrow, Ed Smith.

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Mark Rowh, Dr. Matney, Bill Crawford, Susan McClure, Pilar Suarez.

1. Welcome – Rowh welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Introductions – Introductions were made around the table.
3. Minutes – The minutes were approved as written.
4. Continuing Healthcare Education – Suarez reported that the Radiology Symposium will be October 28 & 29, 2005.
5. Allied Health Counselor – McClure reported that summer and fall registration has started. Currently, there are 78 Nuclear Medicine majors.
6. Student Representative Report – Barnes reported that the students have sold almost \$2000 in t-shirts so far.
7. Director's Report
 - A. Criminal Background Check – all allied health students must submit to a criminal background check at their cost of \$48.50.
 - B. Immunizations – all allied health students must have all immunizations up to date before going to clinic. The Texas Department of Health requires Varicella. If students have had Chickenpox, but have no documentation, they can get a titer done or written documentation from their physician only. Dr. Bill Byrd said that the students could have a titer done at ADC at ADC's cost.

Bachelor's Degree – Rowh reported that the big push for entry level Nuclear Medicine Technologists is to have a Bachelor's degree before they can practice. The plan is to have this in place by 2015, and there will be "grandfather" period. There is much debate as to the validity of this issue because there is a lack of data to support such a change.

Applicant Pool – Rowh said that there are 70 applicants so far for the fall semester.

Site Visit – A site visit for the program will be done this summer. A date has not been determined yet, but Rowh will let the committee know of the dates when he is notified.

Accreditation for Labs – Rowh said that there is a big push for all nuclear medicine facilities to become accredited through a major accrediting body so that they are held to a high level of accountability, by peers, general public, and Medicare and other payers.

8. Affiliation Reports

- A. Amarillo Cardiovascular Center – Students are doing very well.
- B. Amarillo Diagnostic Clinic – Students doing well.
- C. Amarillo Heart Group – Absent
- D. Amarillo Medical Specialist - Students are doing well.
- E. Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital – Students are doing well.
- F. Cardinal Health Pharmacy – Students are doing well and impressed with their Math skills.
- G. Cardiology Center of Amarillo – Absent
- H. Harrington Cancer Center – Students are doing well. He would like for the students to do rotations for 5-6 weeks.
- I. Northwest Texas Hospital – Students are doing very well.
- J. Pampa Regional Hospital – Absent
- K. VA Hospital – Students are doing well. She has noticed the influx of "older" students in the program.

9. Other Business – None

10. Adjournment – Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 A.M.

Minutes were written and submitted by Kim Lacey, Administrative Assistant.
