The *Radiation Therapist* Editorial Review Board promotes and supports scholarly inquiry and the dissemination of knowledge that contributes to the body of knowledge in the radiologic sciences.

**Board Composition**
The *Radiation Therapist* ERB is composed of a chairman, a vice chairman and 12 members. The current committee members are:

- **Chairman:** Megan Trad, Ph.D., M.S.R.S., R.T.(T)
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**Radiation Therapist Manuscript Statistics**
For calendar year 2019, the ERB assessed 42 manuscripts (17 revisions and 25 initial submissions), which is an increase of 14 from the year before. Of those:

- 16 were accepted (64 percent acceptance rate).
- 9 manuscripts were rejected (36 percent rejection rate).

The *Radiation Therapist* ERB reviews short report submissions (formerly referred to as columns), in addition to research articles. Research articles have a more extensive review and are categorized as original articles, systematic reviews or case studies. For 2019, 16 of the 42 manuscripts went through the full peer-review process.

**ERB Meetings**
Lisa Kisner (director of publications, staff liaison), Trad and Morris hosted a webinar orientation for the new members.
Kisner and Trad hosted a face-to-face meeting for members at the ASRT office in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 25-26, 2019. The *Radiation Therapist* ERB conducted business and training. They will have a virtual meeting via webinar/conference call in the spring of 2020.

Trad presented “Innovative Pedagogical Strategies for the Radiation Therapy Classroom” on behalf of the ERB at the 2019 ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference in Chicago. Separate from their formal ERB duties, Heath, Cohen and DiProspero also presented at the conference. ERB members and ASRT staff assisted with author recruitment in the exhibit hall and during a focused luncheon.

Trad will present the ERB course, “Anatomy of a Manuscript: Dissecting your Idea to Get Your Work in Print,” at the 2020 conference in Miami.

**Harold Silverman Distinguished Author Award**

Amy A. Heath, M.S., R.T.(T), and Karol J. Huenerberg, M.S.N., A.P.N.P., FNP-BC, AOCNP, earned the 2019 Silverman award for their article, “Evaluating Radiation Oncology Patient Education Materials,” which was published in the spring 2019 issue of *Radiation Therapist*. These recipients will be honored at this year’s annual governance meeting.