Radiation Therapist Editorial Review Board 2022-2023 Report Benjamin Morris, M.S.Ed., R.T.(R)(T)(CT), FASRT, Chair

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

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Radiation Therapist Manuscript Statistics

The *Radiation Therapist* ERB reviews column submissions and research articles. For calendar year 2022 the ERB assessed 39 manuscripts, which is an increase of four from the year before. Of those, 14 were accepted (88% acceptance rate) and 2 were rejected (13% rejection rate rate).

ASRT Staff and ERB Chair and Vice Chair Meetings

ASRT Director of Publications Julie Hinds, ERB Chair Benjamin Morris and ERB Vice Chair Timmerie Cohen met monthly to discuss peer-review submissions, scientific editing best practices and ERB handbook updates.

Harold Silverman Distinguished Author Award

The ERB named the winners of the Harold Silverman Distinguished Author Award, honoring the best peer-reviewed article published in *Radiation Therapist* during the past year.

Amy A. Heath, M.S., R.T.(T), FASRT, and Karol J. Huenerberg, M.S.N., FNP-BC, APNP, AOCNP, are the winners of the Silverman award for their article, "The Role of Safety Rounds in Supporting a Culture of Safety in Radiation Oncology," which was published in the fall 2022 issue of *Radiation Therapist*.

Amy A. Heath is education director for the radiation oncology department at UW Health and adjunct faculty member for the Radiation Therapy Program at the University of Wisconsin – LaCrosse. She is a former chair of the *Radiation Therapist* ERB and currently serves as a research mentor for the ASRT Foundation's New Researcher Grant program. Karol Huenerberg is a nurse practitioner for the radiation oncology department at UW Health in Madison, Wisconsin.

The goal of their original research study was to investigate how incorporating regular safety rounds in the radiation oncology department supports a culture of safety. They found that radiation oncology departments should consider adding department-specific safety rounds to improve the culture of safety in their department and that leadership support and staff buy-in are necessary for the success of safety rounds.