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## **ATPO Names New President**



**September 30, 2015 St. Paul, MN-** Christine McDonald, COA, COE, ROUB, OSC, will serve as the 34<sup>th</sup> President of the Association of Technical Personnel in Ophthalmology, Inc. (ATPO<sup>®</sup>) beginning August 1, 2015. Ms. McDonald succeeds Michelle Kaminski, COT, of Kansas City, MO, who served from 2014-15.

"Accepting my first position in ophthalmology 29 years ago brought me into a fascinating and rewarding career. I am honored to serve as the ATPO President for the next year. Those who have held this position before me have achieved great success for this organization and, during my presidency, I hope to continue to grow our membership, promote our profession, and advance our organization to the next level of excellence," says President McDonald.

JCAHPO CEO Lynn D. Anderson, PhD, added "Allied ophthalmic personnel are facing many changes and challenges in the coming years. JCAHPO is delighted to

continue as a partner with ATPO on projects and policies to advance the ophthalmic assisting career. We are pleased to have President McDonald's leadership, expertise, and drive for continued excellence as we pursue our mission".

ATPO partnered with JCAHPO in October of 1999 in order to provide the ophthalmic community with the most up-to-date and highest levels of service available. Because this alliance has such a strong historical significance, both JCAHPO and ATPO are dedicated to making this partnership a successful model of unparalleled opportunities for ophthalmic medicine. Associations that champion change and embrace leadership, technology, membership, and interaction are ensured a vibrant future.

ATPO is a non-profit membership organization that has been providing certification and training for eye care excellence since 1969. ATPO's membership exceeds 2,100 ophthalmic assistants, technicians and technologists from across the globe. For more information about ATPO, visit www.atpo.org or call (800) 482-4858