**Respiratory Therapy Program—Licensure Information**

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The [SLCC Respiratory Therapy AAS](http://www.slcc.edu/respiratory-therapy/index.aspx) program holds provisional accreditation from the [Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care](https://www.coarc.com/) (CoARC). The Respiratory Therapy program prepares students to take the [National Board of Respiratory Care](https://www.nbrc.org/) (NBRC) exams. Attending an accredited Respiratory Therapy program and passing the National Board of Respiratory Care exams are important steps for preparing for professional licensure.

The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program prepares students to take both the NBRC Therapist Multiple-Choice (TMC) Examination and the Clinical Simulation Examination (CSE). The TMC qualifies students to earn a [Certified Respiratory Therapist](https://www.nbrc.org/examinations/crt/) (CRT) designation. Passing the Clinical Simulation Examination (CSE) exam qualifies students to earn the [Registered Respiratory Therapist](https://www.nbrc.org/examinations/rrt/) (RRT) designation. Graduates are also able pursue additional NBRC certifications.

**Please note**: more states are moving towards requiring a Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) designation for initial state licensure. In addition, more hospitals and other employers are requiring job applicants to have earned at least a RRT certification for employment. Students are encouraged to work towards the RRT certification as soon as possible after graduation. In addition, students are encouraged to consider pursuing additional educational and certification options, such as bachelor’s degree programs in Respiratory Therapy, to be eligible for a wider range of employment opportunities.

Individual states can have unique licensure requirements, independent of SLCC graduation requirements. It is highly recommended that students consult in advance with the [Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing](https://dopl.utah.gov/index.html) (DOPL), or similar agencies in other states, to find out more about eligibility for licensure. DOPL can be reached at 801-530-6628 or at their [website](https://dopl.utah.gov/index.html). Information about Respiratory Therapy requirements in Utah are available [here](https://dopl.utah.gov/resp/).

This document represents a good-faith effort to share requirements for licensure in other states. Please recognize that there may be additional requirements for licensure not outlined in this document. In additional to the requirements listed below, applicants may be asked to submit fingerprint criminal background checks, pay licensure fees or other certification fees, abide by codes of conduct, or meet additional requirements not outlined in this document. State licensure requirements can change at any time.

If you have difficulty finding the licensure requirements for your state, please contact your academic advisor or SLCC’s state authorization coordinator for help.

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| **States and Territories** | **Does the SLCC Respiratory Therapy Program meet educational requirements in this state?**This list was last updated 1/5/2022. Requirements for licensure can change at any time. Please email for more information. |
| [Alabama](http://www.asbrt.alabama.gov/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Alabama.***Board**: [Alabama State Board of Respiratory Therapy](http://www.asbrt.alabama.gov)**Contact:** PO Box 303770, 400 South Union Street, Suite 271, Montgomery, AL 36130. Phone: 334-265-7125. Email: board@asbrt.alabama.gov. **Program of Study**: CoARC accreditation accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required. **Practice Act**: [Click here for practice act](http://www.asbrt.alabama.gov/Law.aspx).**Additional Information**: * [Online application](https://asbrt.igovsolution.net/online/Initiallicense/Initial_Application.aspx).
* Temporary Licensure is an option for new graduates in Alabama. [Information and checklist](https://www.asbrt.alabama.gov/pdfs/2019/ApplTempLicInstructionsChecklist.pdf).
* [Applications and forms](https://www.asbrt.alabama.gov/Forms.aspx).
* Criminal background check required.
* Current picture is required with application.
* Applicants must submit proof of Graduation from an RT program required (official transcripts, copy of diploma, or official letter from RT program director.)
* Applicants must submit an official letter from NBRC or a copy of the certificate of card issued by NBRC.
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| Alaska | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets educational requirements in Alaska.***Additional Information**: * Alaska does not require licensure for Respiratory Therapist. Employment requirements may vary by institution.
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| [Arizona](https://respiratoryboard.az.gov/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Arizona.***Board**: [Arizona Board of Respiratory Care Examiners](https://respiratoryboard.az.gov/)**Contact:** 1740 W. Adams St., Ste. 3406, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Phone: 602-542-5995. Email: licensing@rb.az.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: **RRT certification** is now required in Arizona. (**Note**: the RRT certification requirement is temporary waived, in accordance with Administrative Order 2020-01, due to COVID-19. Please review the Board website to verify the current NBRC certification level required in Arizona.)**Practice Act**: [Statues and-Rules](https://respiratoryboard.az.gov/resources/statutes-rules).**Additional Information**: * [Online application](https://respiratoryboard.az.gov/online-services/application-licensure).
* [Applications and forms](https://respiratoryboard.az.gov/resources/forms).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://respiratoryboard.az.gov/information/frequently-asked-questions).
* Fingerprinting is required.
* Temporary licensure is an option in Arizona.
* Applicants must be a high school graduate or equivalent.
* Applicants must submit a photocopy of a diploma awarded upon the successful completion of a respiratory therapy training program.
* Applicants must provide proof of citizenship.
* Applicants that have ever been previously licensed in other states must request a verification of license, completed, signed, and authenticated by a board of every state where the applicant has been licensed.
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| [Arkansas](http://www.armedicalboard.org/Professionals/RespiratoryTherapist.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Arkansas.***Board**: [Arkansas State Medical Board](http://www.armedicalboard.org/Professionals/RespiratoryTherapist.aspx)**Contact:** 1401 West Capitol Avenue, Suite 340, Little Rock, AR 72201-2936. Phone: 501-296-1802. Email: LicenseMonitor@armedicalboard.org. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT certification required.**Practice Act**: Arkansas [Medical Practice Act](http://www.armedicalboard.org/Professionals/pdf/mpa.pdf) and Rules and Regulations. (Scroll to Page 53).**Additional Information**: * [Application information packet](http://www.armedicalboard.org/Professionals/pdf/RC_AppPack.pdf).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](http://www.armedicalboard.org/faq.aspx?type=3).
* Applicant must be 18 years old, and have graduated from high school, or the equivalent.
* Applicants must sign an affidavit that they have read the Arkansas Medical Practice Act.
* Applicants must submit a verification form for all educational and professional affiliations since graduation from respiratory therapy school.
* A verification of education form and an official transcript must be requested and sent directly from the school to the Board.
* Applicant must include a passport-sized photo with application.
* Application must be notarized.
* Criminal background check and fingerprinting check.
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| [California](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in California.***Board**: [California Respiratory Care Board](http://www.rcb.ca.gov)**Contact:** 3750 Rosin Court, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95834. Phone: 916-999-2190. Email: rcbinfo@dca.ca.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. [More information](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/applicants/approved_programs.shtml).**Certification Level**: RRT Certification is required. [Additional information](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/applicants/app_requirements.shtml).**Practice Act**: [Laws and Regulations](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/enforcement/lawsregs.shtml).**Additional Information**: * [Application](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/applicants/apply.shtml).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/applicants/app_faqs.shtml).
* [Licensure and application process booklet](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/applicants/app_process_booklet.pdf).
* California licensure applicants are required to complete an Ethics Course. Online options are available. The course must be completed before licensure is granted. Applicants submit a copy of the Certificate of Completion with the licensure application. View the options for the Ethics Course [here](https://www.rcb.ca.gov/applicants/app_requirements.shtml).
* Applicants must request that their college or university send an official transcript directly to the Board.
* All examination scores must be transmitted from the NBRC to the Board.
* Verification of licensure from any other state must be sent to the Board.
* Criminal background check and fingerprinting check.
* Applicants must list an SSN or ITIN on the application.
* Applicant must include a passport-sized photo with application.
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| [Colorado](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Respiratory_Therapy) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Colorado.***Board**: [Colorado Division of Professions and Occupations/Respiratory Therapy](http://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Respiratory_Therapy)**Contact:** 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350, Denver, CO 80202. Phone: 303-894-7800. Email: dora\_dpo\_licensing@state.co.us. **Certification Level**: CRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws, Rules and Policies](https://dpo.colorado.gov/RespiratoryTherapy/Laws).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://dpo.colorado.gov/RespiratoryTherapy/Applications).
* [Application checklist](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Oz9Un7bfrT_xBmonulvhTBzzp9hpso2m/view).
* Applicant must submit proof of credential from NBRC.
* Applicants are required to submit a [Healthcare Professional Profiling Program (HPPP) profile](https://dpo.colorado.gov/HPPP).
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| [Connecticut](https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/RCP/Respiratory-Care-Practitioner-Licensure) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Connecticut.***Board**: [Connecticut Respiratory Care Practitioner Licensure](http://www.portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/RCP/Respiratory-Care-Practitioner-Licensure)**Contact:** 410 Capitol Ave., MS #12 APP, PO Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134. Phone: 860-509-7603. Email: dph.alliedhealth@ct.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Care Practitioners Practice Act](https://www.cga.ct.gov/current/PUB/chap_381a.htm).**Additional Information**: * [Full list of licensure requirements](https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/RCP/Respiratory-Care-Practitioner-Licensure-Requirements).
* A Temporary Permit is an option for recent graduates in Connecticut. More information can be found [here](https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/RCP/Respiratory-Care-Practitioner-Licensure-Temporary-Permit).
* Applicants must submit a verification sent directly from the educational institution of completion of an accredited educational program to the Board.
* Applicants must submit a verification of all licenses held, sent directly from the appropriate jurisdiction to the Board.
* Applicants must submit official exam verification, sent directly from the NBRC to the Board.
* Applicants must include a current passport-style photo with application.
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| [Delaware](https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/respiratory_license/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Delaware.***Board**: [Delaware Department of State/Division of Professional Regulation](http://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/respirator)**Contact:** Cannon Building, Suite 203, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904. Phone: 302-744-4500. Email: customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT and/or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Therapy Practice Act](https://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title24/1770.shtml).**Additional Information**: * [Online application](https://delpros.delaware.gov/OH_HomePage).
* Applicants must submit an 8” X 11½” copy of their Respiratory Care Practitioner diploma.
* Applicants must submit a [Verification of Respiratory Care Practitioner Education](https://dprfiles.delaware.gov/medicalpractice/Verification_of_RCP_Education.pdf) form for each program the applicant attended.
* Applicants must also submit a credential verification letter sent directly from NBRC to the Board.
* Criminal History Record Check with fingerprinting is required.
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| [District of Columbia](https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/161462) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in the District of Columbia.***Board**: [DC Board of Respiratory Care](http://www.dchealth.dc.gov/service/respiratory-care-licensing)**Contact:** 899 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002. Phone: 202-442-5955. Email: dcboresp@dc.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Municipal Regulations for Respiratory Therapy](https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/Respiratory%20Care%20Regulation%208-30-2019.pdf).**Additional Information**: * [Application checklist](https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/Respiratory%20Care%20Checklist%2010-25-2019_0.pdf).
* [Criminal Background Check](https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/120532).
* Applicants must complete a [Respiratory Care Supervised Practice Form.](https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/Respiratory_Care_Supervised_Practice_Form.pdf)
* Applicants must submit a passport-style photo with the application.
* Applicants must submit an official transcript sent directly from the school to the Board.
* Applicants must submit certified examination results directly from the NBRC.
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| [Florida](https://floridasrespiratorycare.gov/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Florida.***Board**: [Florida Board of Respiratory Care](http://www.floridasrespiratorycare.gov)**Contact:** 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-05, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3257. Phone: 850-245-4373. [Online contact](https://floridasrespiratorycare.gov/contact/). **Program Accreditation**: **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Statutes and Rules](https://floridasrespiratorycare.gov/licensing/#tab-statutes-rules).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://floridasrespiratorycare.gov/resources/).
* [Licensing requirements and additional information](https://floridasrespiratorycare.gov/licensing/).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://floridasrespiratorycare.gov/help-center/#faqs).
* Applicants must have an official certification verification forwarded directly from NBRC to the Board.
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| [Georgia](https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/professionals/applications-center/respiratory-care-professional) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Georgia.***Board**: [Georgia Composite State Board of Medical Examiners](http://www.medicalboard.georgia.gov/professionals/applications-center/respiratory-care-professional)**Contact:** 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 6th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303-3465. Phone: 404-656-3913. Email: medbd@dch.ga.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Care Professionals Rules and Regulations](http://rules.sos.ga.gov/GAC/360-13?urlRedirected=yes&data=admin&lookingfor=360-13). **Additional Information**: * [Checklist, Application Form, and Supplemental Forms](https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/rcp-initial-license-application).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/document/publication/respiratory-care-professionals/download) (PDF Download).
* Applicants must be 18 years old.
* Applicants must have three months experience working under the supervision of a licensed physician. For recent graduates, this can be the Medical Director supervising the Respiratory Program of the school. [Form](https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/document/form-b-reference/download) (PDF Download).
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| [Guam](https://guamhplo.org/gbahe) | **Statement:** *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Guam.***Board:** [Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners](https://guamhplo.org/gbahe)**Contact:** 194 Hernan Cortes Avenue, 213A Terlaje Building, Hagåtña, Guam 96913. Phone: 671-735-7408. Email: rosemary.carman@dphss.guam.gov. **Program Accreditation:** CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level:** CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act:** [Health and Safety Medical Practices](https://guamhplo.org/sites/default/files/allied_health_-_10_gca_chap._12_art._11_-_22_aug._13_2020_fr_rob_8-12-21.pdf)**Additional Information:** * [Application and additional information](https://guamhplo.org/sites/default/files/gbahe_initial_application_r.07.2016.pdf)**.**
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| [Hawaii](http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/respiratory/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Hawaii.***Board**: [Hawaii Respiratory Therapist Licensure Program](http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/respiratory/)**Contact:** PO Box 3469, Honolulu, HI 96801. Phone: 808-586-2698**Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws and Rules](https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/respiratory/statute_rules/).**Additional Information**:* [Application, requirements, and additional information](https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/files/2021/04/Require-Info-App-for-Respiratory-Therapist_04.21R.pdf).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/files/2019/11/PVL_FAQs-2019-11.pdf).
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| [Idaho](https://elitepublic.bom.idaho.gov/IBOMPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Board=RES) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Idaho.***Board**: [Idaho State Board of Medicine](https://elitepublic.bom.idaho.gov/IBOMPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Board=RES)**Contact:** 345 Bobwhite Ct., Ste 150, Boise, ID 83706. Phone: 208-327-7000. Email: info@bom.idaho.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Care Practice Act](https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/idstat/Title54/T54CH43/SECT54-4303/).**Additional Information**: * [Application and instructions](https://elitepublic.bom.idaho.gov/IBOMPortal/RES/FORM%20LINKS/rt_app_new.pdf).
* A Temporary Permit is an option in Idaho.
* Applicants must submit a passport-style photo with the application. Application must be notarized.
* Applicants must be 18 years old or older. Applicants must be high school graduates, or equivalent.
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| [Illinois](https://www.idfpr.com/profs/RespCare.asp) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Illinois.***Board**: [Illinois Department of Finance and Professional Regulation](http://www.idfpr.com/profs/RespCare.asp)**Contact:** 555 West Monroe Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL 60661. Phone: 888-473-4858. [Online contact form](https://www.idfpr.com/profs/Email/prfGrp10.asp). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Care Practice Act](https://ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=1323&ChapAct=225%26nbsp%3BILCS%26nbsp%3B106%2F&ChapterID=24&ChapterName=PROFESSIONS+AND+OCCUPATIONS&ActName=Respiratory+Care+Practice+Act%2E).**Additional Information**: * [Application and instructions](https://www.idfpr.com/renewals/apply/forms/res-end.pdf).
* Temporary Practice Permit is an option in Illinois.
* Proof of successful completion of NBRC exams must be sent directly from the testing entity to the Board.
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| [Indiana](https://www.in.gov/pla/rcp.htm) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Indiana.***Board**: [Indiana Professional Licensing Agency](http://www.in.gov/pla/rcp.htm)**Contact:** 402 W. Washington Street, Room W072, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Phone: 317-234-8800. Phone: pla14@pla.in.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: NBRC certification required.**Practice Act**: [Statutes and Rules](https://www.in.gov/pla/2629.htm).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and instructions](https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/respiratory-care-committee/respiratory-care-licensure-application-and-instructions/).
* Fingerprinting required.
* Applicants must submit an official transcript that includes graduation date and degree, sent directly from the school to the Board.
* Applicants must request that an official NBRC credential report be sent directly from NBRC to the Board.
* A Temporary Permit is an option in Indiana.
* Applicant must submit a passport-style photograph with the application.
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| [Iowa](https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Respiratory-Care) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Iowa.***Board**: [Iowa Board of Respiratory Care](https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Respiratory-Care)**Contact:** 321 E. 12th St., Des Moines, IA 50319. Phone: 515-281-0254. Email: PLPublic@idph.iowa.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws and Rules](https://www.idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Respiratory-Care/Laws-and-Rules).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and additional information](https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Respiratory-Care/Licensure).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Respiratory-Care/FAQs).
* Fingerprinting is required.
* Applicants must request that the NBRC sends score reports directly to the Board.
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| [Kansas](http://www.ksbha.org/professions/RT.shtml) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Kansas.***Board**: [Kansas State Board of Healing Arts](http://www.ksbha.org/professions/RT.shtml)**Contact:** 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level – Suite A, Topeka, KS 66612. Phone: 785-296-7413. Email: KSBHA\_Licensing@ks.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT certification is required from the NBRC.**Practice Act**: [Practice Handbook (PDF)](http://www.ksbha.org/documents/publications/PracticeHandbook_RT.pdf)**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](http://www.ksbha.org/formpages/licensureforms.shtml#rtforms).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](http://www.ksbha.org/faq/faqlicensingrt.shtml).
* Applicant must request that an official college transcript noting graduation and degree awarded be sent directly to the Board.
* A passport-style photograph must be included with the application. Application must be notarized.
* Temporary licensure is an option in Kansas. More information on different types of respiratory therapy licensure can be found [here](http://www.ksbha.org/departments/licensing/licensetypes/rtlicensetypes.shtml).
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| [Kentucky](https://kbrc.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Kentucky.***Board**: [Kentucky Board of Respiratory Care](https://kbrc.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx)**Contact:** 2365 Harrodsburg Rd., B350, Lexington, KY 40504-3386. Phone: 859-246-2747. [Online contact form](https://kbrc.ky.gov/Pages/contact.aspx). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws and Regulations](https://kbrc.ky.gov/LRO/Pages/default.aspx). **Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://kbrc.ky.gov/Pages/Forms-and-Applications-.aspx).
* A 6-month temporary license is issued to recent graduates in Kentucky. More information can be found [here](https://kbrc.ky.gov/Documents/Application%20for%20Mandatory%20and%20Temporary%20Certification.pdf).
* Applicants must request that the NBRC send proof of certification directly to the Board.
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| [Louisiana](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/respiratory-therapists) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Louisiana.***Board**: [Louisiana Board of Medical Examiners, Respiratory Care](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/respiratory-therapists)**Contact:** 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, LA 70130. Phone: 504-568-6820. Email: licensing@lsbme.la.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/laws) and [Rules](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/rules).**Additional Information**: * [Application, forms, and instructions](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/content/application-instructions-initial-licensure-respiratory-therapist).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/content/frequently-asked-questions).
* Temporary licensure is an option in Louisiana.
* Criminal background check is required.
* Applicants must submit a passport-style photo with the application. Application must be notarized.
* After an application for licensure is received by the Board, the applicant will be sent information about an Online Education Course and Quiz. This course reviews the [Rules](http://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/rules) pertaining to the practice of respiratory therapy in the state of Louisiana.
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| [Maine](https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/respiratory/index.html) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Maine.***Board**: [Maine Board of Respiratory Care Practitioners](https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-respiratory-care-practitioners)**Contact:** 35 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0035. Phone: 207-624-8623. Email: respcare.board@maine.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws & Rules](https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-respiratory-care-practitioners/home/laws-rules)**Additional Information**: * [Online application and additional services](https://licensing.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/licensing/begin.pl?board_number=4260).
* Temporary licensure is an option in Maine.
* *Respiratory Care Therapist License*: this level requires RRT certification from the NBRC. Application and additional information can be found [here](https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-respiratory-care-practitioners/licensing/respiratory-care-therapist-respiratory-care-technician#1).
* *Respiratory Care Technician*: this level requires CRT certification from the NBRC. Application and additional information can be found [here](https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-respiratory-care-practitioners/licensing/respiratory-care-therapist-respiratory-care-technician#2).
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| [Maryland](https://www.mbp.state.md.us/licensure_ahapp_resp.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Maryland.***Board**: [Maryland Board of Physicians](http://www.mbp.state.md.us/licensure_ahapp_resp.aspx)**Contact:** 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215. Phone: 410-764-4777. Email: mbpmail@rcn.com. [Online contact form](https://www.mbp.state.md.us/contact.aspx). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Laws & Regulations](https://www.mbp.state.md.us/resource_information/res_pro/resource_practitioner_laws.aspx).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://www.mbp.state.md.us/resource_information/res_pro/resource_practitioner_forms_ah.aspx).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.mbp.state.md.us/resource_information/FAQs/resource_faqs.aspx).
* Criminal History Records Check and fingerprint required.
* Applicant must submit a Verification of Professional Education form to the respiratory therapy school and ask that the form be completed and submitted directly to the Board.
* Applicant must attach a passport-style photo to the application. Application must be notarized.
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| [Massachusetts](https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-respiratory-care) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Massachusetts.* **Board**: [Massachusetts Board of Respiratory Care](http://www.mass.gov/dph/boards)**Contact:** 250 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108. Phone: 800-414-0168. Email: Multiboard.Admin@state.ma.us. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [Section 23R](https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXVI/Chapter112/Section23R)**Additional Information**: * [Application, forms, and additional information](https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-respiratory-therapist-license).
* Applicants must include a passport-style photograph with the application. Applications must be notarized.
* Applicants must submit official transcripts in a signed, sealed envelope. The transcript must list the degree and date conferred. The transcripts must be sent directly to the Board.
* NBRC verifications must be sent directly to the Board.
* Criminal background check.
* Limited respiratory therapist licensure is available. More information can be found [here](https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-limited-respiratory-therapist-license).
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| [Michigan](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0%2C4601%2C7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_29413---%2C00.html) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Michigan.***Board**: [Michigan Board of Respiratory Care](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0%2C4601%2C7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_29413---%2C00.html)**Contact:** PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909. Phone: 517-241-0199. Email: BPLHelp@michigan.gov. [Online contact form](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0%2C4601%2C7-154--380409--%2C00.html). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**College Accreditation**: Michigan requires applicants to have a two-year associate’s degree from a college or university that meets the recognition standards and criteria of the [Council for Higher Education Accreditation](https://www.chea.org/) (CHEA). SLCC is [accredited by the Northwest Commission on College and Universities](http://www.slcc.edu/accreditation/index.aspx) (NWCCU), which is [accredited by CHEA](https://www.nwccu.org/nwccu-receives-chea-recognition/).**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Therapist Qualifications](http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-333-18709)**Additional Information**: * [Online application and instructions](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0%2C4601%2C7-154-89334_72600_92411---%2C00.html).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Respiratory_Care_FAQ__7-15-2016_531047_7.pdf).
* [Respiratory therapy licensing guide](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Respiratory-MIPLUS_Licensing_Guide_10-4-21_737459_7.pdf).
* Fingerprinting and criminal background check required.
* Applicants must arrange to have a [Certificate of Completion](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Certification_of_Completion_of_A_Respiratory_Therapy_Program_530682_7.pdf) (PDF) of a Respiratory Therapy Program form to be sent directly to the Board from the college or university.
* Applicants must arrange to have official transcripts sent directly to the Board, noting graduation date and degree earned.
* Applicants must arrange to have an official report be sent directly to the Board from the NBRC.
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| [Minnesota](https://mn.gov/boards/medical-practice/licensing/applicants/apply/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Minnesota.***Board**: [Minnesota Board of Medical Practice](http://mn.gov/boards/medical-practice/)**Contact:** 335 Randolph Avenue, Suite 140, St. Paul, MN 55102. Phone: 612-617-2130. Email: medical.board@state.mn.us. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Care Practitioners](https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/147C)**Additional Information**: * [Information and Application Packet](https://mn.gov/boards/assets/RT%20application%20packet%202021%20-%20done_tcm21-36609.pdf).
* Applicant must include a passport-style photo with the application. Applications must be notarized.
* Applicants must arrange to have a Verification of Respiratory Therapy Education form to be sent directly to the Board from the college or university.
* Applicants must arrange to have official transcripts sent directly to the Board, noting graduation date and degree earned.
* Applicants must arrange to have a Verification of NBRC Certification sent directly to the Board from the NBRC.
* Applicant must include two Recommendation Forms from health care providers in the application packet.
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| [Mississippi](https://msdh.ms.gov/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Mississippi.***Board**: [Mississippi State Department of Health](https://msdh.ms.gov/)**Contact:** 570 East Woodrow Wilson Drive, Jackson, MS 39216. Phone: 601-576-7400. Email: web@HealthyMS.com. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT and/or RRT certification is required.**Practice Act**: [The Application Packet includes the Practice Act](https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/resources/141.pdf)**Additional Information**: * [Information and Application Packet](https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/resources/560.pdf).
* Applicants must include a passport-style photo with the application. Application must be notarized. Applicants must also include a copy of a Social Security Card or Driver’s License with the application.
* Applicants must submit a copy of the NBRC card, certificate, or passing test scores. Applicants must also request that NBRC send a credential verification directly to the Board.
* Applicants must have a Verification of Professional Education sent directly from the school to the Board. Applicants must also request an official transcript be sent directly to the Board.
* A Temporary Permit is an option in Mississippi. This is issued once for up to 6 months to recent graduates.
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| [Missouri](https://pr.mo.gov/respiratorycare.asp) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Missouri.***Board**: [Missouri Board of Professional Registration](http://pr.mo.gov/respiratorycare.asp) **Contact:** 3605 Missouri Boulevard, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102-1335. Phone: 573-522-5864. Email: rcp@pr.mo.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Rules & Statutes](https://pr.mo.gov/respiratorycare-rules-statutes.asp).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://pr.mo.gov/respiratorycare-application-forms.asp).
* Applicants must have NBRC verification of credentials sent directly to the Board.
* Fingerprinting and a Criminal Background Check is required.
* Applicants must include a passport-style photo with the application. Application must be notarized.
* Applicants that have been licensed in another state for at least one year can apply through reciprocity. More information can be found [here](https://pr.mo.gov/boards/respiratory/375-1094.pdf).
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| [Montana](http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/rcp) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Montana.***Board**: [Montana Board of Respiratory Care Practitioners](http://www.respcare.mt.gov)**Contact:** 301 S. Park Avenue, 4th floor, PO Box 200513, Helena, MT 59620-0513. Phone: 406-444-6880. Email: dlibsdhelp@mt.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT certification or higher is required.**Practice Act**: [Regulations](http://www.mtrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=24%2E213) & [Statutes](https://leg.mt.gov/bills/mca/title_0370/chapter_0280/parts_index.html?pk_vid=022ea21eb4c89c40160615902949d395)**Additional Information**: * [Online application](https://ebiz.mt.gov/pol/Default.aspx?pk_vid=5e0de6c2587846ce16412333336a9a99).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners/faq).
* Applicants must submit a current copy of NBRC certificate.
* High school graduate or the equivalent.
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| [Nebraska](http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Respiratory-Care.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Nebraska.***Board**: [Nebraska Board of Respiratory Care](http://dhhs.ne.gov/Licensure/Pages/Respiratory-Care.aspx)**Contact:** PO Box 94986, Lincoln, NE 68509. Phone: 402-471-2299. Email: DHHS.RehabOffice@nebraska.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Regulations](https://www.nebraska.gov/rules-and-regs/regsearch/Rules/Health_and_Human_Services_System/Title-172/Chapter-162.pdf) and [Statutes](http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Documents/Respiratory%20Care.pdf).**Additional Information**: * [Application and additional information](https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Documents/RespiratoryCareInitialApplicationwCoverltr.pdf).
* Applicants must submit request that an official transcript be sent from the college directly to the Board. Transcripts must show proof of graduation and degree awarded.
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| [Nevada](https://medboard.nv.gov/Forms/Practitioner_of_Respiratory_Care/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Nevada.***Board**: [Nevada Board of Medical Examiners](https://medboard.nv.gov/Forms/Practitioner_of_Respiratory_Care/)**Contact:** 9600 Gateway Drive, Reno, NV 89521. Phone: 775-688-2559. Email: nsbme@medboard.nv.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Sections [630.500](https://www.leg.state.nv.us/NAC/NAC-630.html#NAC630Sec500) and [630.505](https://www.leg.state.nv.us/NAC/NAC-630.html#NAC630Sec505)**Additional Information**: * [Applications and Information](http://medboard.nv.gov/Forms/Practitioner_of_Respiratory_Care/).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://medboard.nv.gov/Resources/FAQs/Licensing_Division/).
* Applicant must enclose a passport-style photograph with the application. Application must be notarized.
* Applicant must have an Education Verification form be completed by the college.
* Applicant must have a Certification Form completed by the NBRC.
* Applicant must request that official transcript from the college be sent directly to the Board.
* Fingerprinting and criminal history background check required.
* Temporary licensure (called Respiratory Care Intern) is an option in Nevada.
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| [New Hampshire](https://www.oplc.nh.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners-governing-board) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in New Hampshire.***Board**: [Respiratory Care Practitioners Governing Board](https://www.oplc.nh.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners-governing-board)**Contact:** 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301. Phone: 603-271-2152. Email: customersupport@oplc.nh.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Respiratory Care](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/resp.html).**Additional Information**: * [Application and additional information](https://www.oplc.nh.gov/applications-respiratory-care-practioners).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.oplc.nh.gov/faqs-respiratory-care-practitioners).
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| [New Jersey](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/resp/Pages/default.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in New Jersey.***Board**: [New Jersey Board of Respiratory Care](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/resp/Pages/default.aspx)**Contact:** 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ 07102. Phone: 973-504-6200. Email: askconsumeraffairs@dca.lps.state.nj.us. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: New Jersey requires **RRT Certification**.**Practice Act**: [Statutes and Regulations](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/resp/Pages/regulations.aspx).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/resp/Pages/applications.aspx).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/resp/Pages/FAQ.aspx).
* [Application Process Overview](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/Documents/licenseprocess/Respiratory-Care-Application-Process-Overview.pdf).
* [Top tips for license applicants](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/Documents/Top-Tips-for-License-Applicants.pdf).
* Fingerprinting and criminal history background check required.
* Temporary Licensure is an option in New Jersey.
* Applicants must submit a notarized copy of the Certificate of Completion of a respiratory care program of study.
* Applicants must request an official transcript from each college or university attended. The official transcript must be sent directly from the school to the Board.
* Criminal history background check required.
* Applicant must request that an official high school transcript be sent from the school to the Board.
* Applicants must submit a passport-style photo with the application. Application must be notarized.
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| [New Mexico](http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Respiratory_Care.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in New Mexico.***Board**: [New Mexico Respiratory Care Board](http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Respiratory_Care.aspx)**Contact:** 2550 Cerrillos Road, Second Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87504. Phone: 505-476-4965. Email: RespiratoryCareBd@state.nm.us. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: New Mexico requires **RRT Certification**.**Practice Act**: [Rules and Laws](http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Respiratory_Care_Rules_and_Laws.aspx).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/respiratory-care/applications-and-forms/).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/respiratory-care/rc-faqs/).
* A Temporary Permit is available to recent graduates in New Mexico.
* Applicants must attach a passport-style photo to the application.
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| [New York](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/rt/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in New York.***Board**: [New York State Board of Respiratory Therapy](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/rt/)**Contact:** 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234-1000. Phone: 518-474-3817. [Online contact form](https://op-support.nysed.gov/hc/en-us/requests/new). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required. Please note that the certification levels lead to separate licensure titles (see below).**Practice Act**: [Laws, Rules & Regulations](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/rt/rtlaw.htm).**Additional Information**: * **Respiratory Therapist**: Must have both CRT and the RRT certification through the NBRC. Must have attended a two-year program of study in Respiratory Care.
* **Respiratory Therapy Technician**: Must have CRT certification through the NBRC. Must have completed at least a one-year certification program in respiratory therapy through an accredited program of study.
* [Applications and forms](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/rt/rtforms.htm).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/rt/rtpi.htm).
* [Licensure requirements](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/rt/rtlic.htm).
* Applicants must submit a Certification of Professional Education form. Form must be completed by the school and submitted directly to the Board.
* Applicant must request to have an official transcript submitted directly from the college or university to the Board.
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| [North Carolina](https://www.ncrcb.org/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in North Carolina.***Board**: [North Carolina Respiratory Care Board](http://www.ncrcb.org)**Contact:** 125 Edinburgh South Drive, Suite 100, Cary, NC 27511. Phone: 919-878-5595. Email: bcroft@ncrcb.org. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Laws](https://www.ncrcb.org/uploads/a83b148d-4e2a-4dc6-847e-dd892861b7af-Respiratory%20Care%20Practice%20Act.pdf) and [Rules](https://www.ncrcb.org/uploads/6e07ea97-96f4-40c8-9144-aec09b2ba653-chapter%2061%20rules.pdf).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://portal.ncrcb.org/forms.aspx).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.ncrcb.org/faq).
* Applicants must request that an official transcript be sent directly from the college to the Board. The transcript should list graduation date and degree earned.
* Applicants must request that NBRC sent a credential verification letter directly to the Board.
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| [North Dakota](https://www.ndsbrc.com/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in North Dakota.***Board**: [North Dakota Board of Respiratory Care](http://www.ndsbrc.com)**Contact:** PO Box 2223, Bismarck, ND 58502-2223. Phone: 701-222-1564. Email: ndsbrc@aptnd.com. [Online contact form](https://www.ndsbrc.com/contact/). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required. **Practice Act**: [Laws, Rules, & Ethics](https://www.ndsbrc.com/Laws-Rules/index.asp).**Additional Information**: * [Initial application for licensure](https://www.ndsbrc.com/lic/app/initial/login.asp).
* Fingerprinting and criminal history background check required.
* Applicants must submit an Education Verification form. Form must be completed by the school and submitted directly to the Board.
* Applicant must request to have an official transcript submitted directly from the college or university to the Board.
* Applicant must submit a photocopy of the NBRC certifying exam scores OR photocopy of the NBRC certificate.
* Application must be notarized.
* A temporary license is available for those in good standing in another state. More information available [here](https://www.ndsbrc.com/article.asp?id=10).
* Reciprocity is available for those with a license in another state. More information available [here](https://www.ndsbrc.com/lic/app/recip/person.asp).
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| [Ohio](https://www.med.ohio.gov/Apply/Respiratory-Care-RC) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Ohio.***Board**: [Ohio State Medical Board](http://www.med.ohio.gov/Apply/Respiratory-Care-RC)**Contact:** 30 East Broad Street, 3rd Floor, Columbus, OH 43215. Phone: 614-466-3934. Email: license@med.ohio.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: Ohio requires **RRT Certification**.**Practice Act**: [Laws](http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/4761) and [Rules](http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/4761).**Additional Information**: * [Online license application](https://elicense.ohio.gov/OH_HomePage).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.med.ohio.gov/Apply/Respiratory-Care-RC/Respiratory-Care-FAQs).
* A Limited Permit is an option in Ohio.
* Applicants must request to have NBRC exam results sent directly to the Board.
* Fingerprinting and criminal history background check required.
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| [Oklahoma](http://www.okmedicalboard.org/respiratory_care_practitioners) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Oklahoma.***Board**: [Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure & Supervisions](https://www.okmedicalboard.org/respiratory_care_practitioners)**Contact:** 101 NE 51st ST, Oklahoma City, OK 73105-1821. Phone: 405-962-1400. Email: supportservices@okmedicalboard.org. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Laws/Rules](https://www.okmedicalboard.org/respiratory_care_practitioners#laws-rules).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://www.okmedicalboard.org/respiratory_care_practitioners#forms-resources).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.okmedicalboard.org/respiratory_care_practitioners#faq).
* Provisional licensure is an option in Oklahoma.
* Applicants must complete and submit an Evidence of Status form in order to verify citizenship.
* Applicants must complete an Oath and Photo form. The form must be notarized, and a passport-style photo must accompany the form.
* Applicants must submit a Verification of Education form. The form must be completed by the school and submitted directly to the Board.
* Applicants must request to have the NBRC fill out and submit a Verification of Credential form directly to the Board.
* Extended background check required.
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| [Oregon](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Pages/Board-RTPT-Respiratory-License.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Oregon.***Board**: [Oregon Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Pages/Board-RTPT-Respiratory-License.aspx).**Contact:** 1430 Tandem Ave. NE, Suite 180, Salem, OR 97301. Phone: 503-378-8667. Email: hlo.info@dhsoha.state.or.us. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: Oregon requires **RRT Certification**.**Practice Act**: [Laws and Rules](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Pages/Board-RTPT-Laws-Rules.aspx).**Additional Information**: * [Application for licensure](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Forms/RTPT-RT_License_Application.pdf).
* Fingerprint-based national criminal background check.
* Applicants must submit proof of high school diploma or equivalent.
* Applicants must request to have the NBRC submit proof of active credential directly to the Board.
* Applicants must request to have an official transcript sent directly to the Board, indicating graduation date and degree awarded.
* Applicants must pass a Respiratory Therapist Oregon Laws and Administrative Rules examination.
* Temporary licensure is an option in Oregon. Temporary license application can be found [here](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Forms/RTPT-RT_Temporary_License_Application.pdf).
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| [Pennsylvania](https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Medicine/Pages/default.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Pennsylvania.***Board**: [Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine](http://www.dos.state.pa.us/med)**Contact:** PO Box 2649, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Phone: 717-783-1400. Email: ST-MEDICINE@PA.GOV. [Online contact form](https://www.pals.pa.gov/#/page/AnonymousSupportTicket). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Laws](http://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pacode/data/049/chapter25/subchapKtoc.html&d=reduce).**Additional Information**: * [Online licensure application](https://www.pals.pa.gov/#/page/default).
* [Respiratory therapist licensure requirements](https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Medicine/Pages/Respiratory-Therapist-Licensure-Requirements-Snapshot.aspx).
* Temporary permits area an option in Pennsylvania.
* The Pennsylvania Society for Respiratory Care, and shares information about [how to become licensed in PA](https://www.psrc.net/obtaining-rt-license-for-out-of-state).
* Applicants must request that NBRC send a “Credential Verification Letter” directly to the Board.
* National Practitioner Data Bank background check.
* All new applicants must complete a 3-hour state approved workshop in the recognition and reporting of child abuse. [Informative flier](http://www.pacwrc.pitt.edu/Resources/CPSL%20Resources/Reporting%20Flyer.pdf). According to the website, PA cannot use a course completed elsewhere for other purposes to meet this requirement. There appears to be a free course offered by the [University of Pittsburgh and the PA Department of Welfare](https://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu/webapps/portal/execute/tabs/tabAction?tab_tab_group_id=_91_1).
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| [Puerto Rico](https://orcps.salud.gov.pr/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Puerto Rico.***Board**: [Puerto Rico Office of Regulation and Certification of Health Professionals Medical Licensing and Discipline Board](https://orcps.salud.gov.pr/)**Contact:** GM Group 3rd Building. Apartment Urb. Caribe, 1590 Calle Ponce de León, Río Piedras, PR 00926. Phone: 787-765-2929. Email: contactus@salud.pr.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [LexJuris (Leyes y Jurisprudencia) de Puerto Rico](http://www.lexjuris.com/)[English Edition](https://advance.lexis.com/documentpage/?pdmfid=1000516&crid=59fa17fd-0098-4f7c-8f03-59d16878f816&nodeid=AAWADFAAB&nodepath=%2FROOT%2FAAW%2FAAWADF%2FAAWADFAAB&level=3&haschildren=&populated=false&title=%C2%A7+3401.+Definitions&indicator=true&config=00JABkODU1MGI4OC1hMmRkLTQ2MGYtOGY1NS03YjVjOWM4YjJlZjAKAFBvZENhdGFsb2d0HiKld62itjBDGzN8H7lV&pddocfullpath=%2Fshared%2Fdocument%2Fstatutes-legislation%2Furn%3AcontentItem%3A5D6S-8FR1-66SD-80X6-00008-00&ecomp=c38_kkk&prid=b8843a3d-5e47-4e68-97a7-13c227481805)**Additional Information**: * The American Association for Respiratory Care lists this contact information for Puerto Rico, but this information isn’t found on the Puerto Rico government website.

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| [Rhode Island](https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=243) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Rhode Island.***Board**: [Rhode Island Department of Health](http://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=243)**Contact:** 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Phone: 401-222-5960. Email: doh.elicense@health.ri.gov. [Online contact form](https://health.ri.gov/contact/). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Regulations](https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/216-40-05-16) and [Statutes](https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/216-40-05-16)**Additional Information**: * [Application, license requirements, and additional information](https://health.ri.gov/applications/RespiratoryCarePractitioner.pdf).
* Applicants must request to have an official school transcript sent directly to the Board. The transcript must include date of completion, graduation date, and degree.
* Score/Certification verification must be sent directly from the NBRC to the Board.
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| [South Carolina](https://llr.sc.gov/med/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in South Carolina.***Board**: [South Carolina Board of Medical Examiners](https://llr.sc.gov/med/)**Contact:** 110 Centerview Dr, Columbia, SC 29210. Phone: 803-896-4500. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [South Carolina Medical Practice Act (Scroll to Article 4)](https://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t40c047.php).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://llr.sc.gov/med/rcp.aspx).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://llr.sc.gov/med/PDF/FAQ%20Sheet.pdf).
* Applicants must submit a copy of a valid Driver’s License, State ID, Passport, or Military ID.
* Applicants must submit a copy of their social security card.
* Applicants must submit a passport-style photo with their application. The application must be notarized.
* Applicants must submit a copy of the CRT or RRT certification or examination results.
* Applicants must submit a Respiratory Care Diploma or have an official transcript sent to the Board.
* Criminal background check.
* Limited Respiratory Care Practitioner license is available in South Carolina.
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| [South Dakota](https://www.sdbmoe.gov/professions-respiratory-care-practitioner-rcp/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in South Dakota.***Board**: [South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners](https://www.sdbmoe.gov/professions-respiratory-care-practitioner-rcp/)**Contact:** 101 N. Main Avenue, Suite 301, Sioux Falls, SD 57104. Phone: 605-367-7781. Email: SDBMOE@STATE.SD.US. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT accreditation accredited. **Practice Act**: [Laws](https://sdlegislature.gov/#/Statutes/Codified_Laws/2059464)**Additional Information**: * [Online application portal](https://login.sdbmoe.gov/).
* Temporary permits are an option in South Dakota.
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| [Tennessee](https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/rc-board.html) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Tennessee.***Board**: [Tennessee Board of Respiratory Care](http://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/rc-board.html)**Contact:** 710 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37243. Phone: 615-532-5090. Email: tn.health@tn.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Statutes and Rules](https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/rc-board/rc-board/statutes-and-rules.html).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/rc-board/rc-board/applications.html).
* Applicants must request that proof of NBRC Certification or official verification of passage of the entry-level or advanced level practitioner examination provided by NBRC be submitted directly to the Board from the NBRC.
* Applicants must have a diploma or final official transcript form the school where respiratory care education or training program was completed be submitted directly from the school to the Board.
* Applicants must submit a passport-sized photograph with the application.
* Applicants must submit a Practitioner Profile Questionnaire once licensure application has been submitted. [Information](https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/healthprofboards/PH-3585.pdf).
* Criminal background check is required.
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| [Texas](http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing-respiratory-care-practitioner) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Texas.***Board**: [Texas Medical Board](http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing-respiratory-care-practitioner)**Contact:** PO Box 2029, Austin, TX 78768-2029. Phone: 512-305-7010. Email: verifcic@tmb.state.tx.us. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 186, Respiratory Care Practitioners](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac%24ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=22&pt=9&ch=186&rl=Y).**Additional Information**: * [Online application portal](https://applications.tmb.state.tx.us/rt/ident1.aspx).
* [Document checklist and eligibility requirements](https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/idl/4AA6A1C3-F5C4-DD2D-9789-28ED1830C3AB).
* [Forms and additional documents](https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/docs/forms).
* Applicants must request to have an official transcript sent directly to the Board. The transcript must list program completion date.
* Applicants need to submit a copy of their current NBRC certificate, or have NBRC submit a verification of certification letter directly to the Board.
* Applicants are required to submit a copy of a passport or birth certificate. Applicants are also required to submit proof of name change.
* Applicants are required to be high school graduates, or equivalent.
* Fingerprinting and criminal history background check required.
* Jurisprudence Examination: Must earn a score of 75% or better. [Additional information](http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing-jp-exam).
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| Utah | More information is available at the [top of this page](#_top). |
| [Vermont](https://sos.vermont.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Vermont.***Board**: [Vermont Office of Professional Regulation](https://sos.vermont.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners/) **Contact:** 89 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402. Phone: 802-828-1505. [Online contact form](https://sos.vermont.gov/opr/about-opr/contact-us/). **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Statutes and Rules](https://sos.vermont.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners/statutes-rules-resources/).**Additional Information**: * [Forms and Instructions](https://sos.vermont.gov/respiratory-care-practitioners/forms-instructions/).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://sos.vermont.gov/opr/online-services/general-faqs/?lamqtop).
* Applicants must upload Official Verification of NBRC Certification to the Vermont online licensure application.
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| [Virginia](http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/AbouttheBoard/RegulatedProfessions/RespiratoryTherapist/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Virginia.***Board**: [Virginia Board of Medicine, Respiratory Therapy Advisory Board](http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/AbouttheBoard/RegulatedProfessions/RespiratoryTherapist/)**Contact**: 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, VA 23233. Phone: 804-367-4600. Email: medbd@dhp.virginia.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Regulations Governing the Practice of Respiratory Therapists](http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/media/dhpweb/docs/med/leg/Respiratory.pdf)**Additional Information**: * [Online application wizard](http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/ApplicantResources/ApplyforLicense/RespiratoryTherapist/).
* [Instructions for completing online application](https://www.license.dhp.virginia.gov/apply/Forms/medicine/RCP_instruct_and_forms.pdf).
* Applicants must provide original source documentation (not a copy) of **one** of the following:
	+ Current credential as a CRT or RRT from the NBRC. **OR**
	+ Graduation from an accredited educational program for respiratory therapists.
* Applicants must submit a [NPDB Self Query](https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/ext/selfquery/SQHome.jsp) if they have been previously licensed in another state. Also, previously licensed applicants must submit a verification form from all other states where they have held a license.
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| [Washington](https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/RespiratoryCarePractitioner) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Washington.***Board**: [Washington State Department of Health, Respiratory Care Practitioner](https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/RespiratoryCarePractitioner)**Contact:** 111 Israel Rd. SE, Tumwater, WA 98501. Phone: 360-236-4700. Email: hsqa.csc@doh.wa.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted. **Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required. [RCW 18.89.110](https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=18.89.110)**Practice Act**: [The RCW and WAC that directly relate to respiratory care practitioners](https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/RespiratoryCarePractitioner/Laws).**Additional Information**: * [Online application and instructions](https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/RespiratoryCarePractitioner/ApplyOnline).
* [License application packet](https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/680023.pdf).
* [Licensure requirements](https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/RespiratoryCarePractitioner/LicenseRequirements).
* Applicants must submit an official transcript, sent directly from the institution to the Department of Health.
* Applicants must submit official verification of the BNRC entry level examination in the form of scores or certificate must be sent directly from the NBRC to the Department of Health.
* Temporary licensure is an option in Washington State.
* Applicants must list their social security number on the application.
* Applicants must list all states where licensure is held. Applicants must submit a Verification Form for each state or jurisdiction where licensure has been held.
* Applicants used to be required to complete a [HIV/AIDS continuing education training](https://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/IllnessandDisease/HIV/Training) for licensure. As of June 11, 2020, this training is no longer required. Applicants may still need to complete a Bloodborne Pathogen training.
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| [West Virginia](https://www.wvborc.com/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in West Virginia.***Board**: [West Virginia Board of Respiratory Care](https://www.wvborc.com/)**Contact:** 106 Dee Drive, Ste 1, Charleston, WV 25311. Phone: 304-558-1382. Email: wvborc@wv.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: NBRC national credential required.**Practice Act**: [Laws & Regulations](https://www.wvborc.com/Laws_Regs).**Additional Information**: * [Online application and instructions](https://www.wvborc.com/NewApp?page=1).
* [Additional applications and forms](https://www.wvborc.com/Reports).
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.wvborc.com/FAQ).
* Criminal background check is required.
* Applicants must submit a NBRC Credential Certificate or official “Statement of Credentials” for the NBRC direct to the board.
* Applicants are required to have their applications notarized. Applicants must attach a passport-style photo to the application.
* Applicants who have been previously licensed in other states must request a verification of licensure from each state mailed directly to the Board.
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| [Wisconsin](https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/RespiratoryCarePractitioner/Default.aspx) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Wisconsin.***Board**: [Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services](http://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/RespiratoryCarePractitioner/Default.aspx)**Contact:** 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison, WI 53705. Phone: 608-266-2112. Email: dsps@wisconsin.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Statutes and Administrative Code](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code/med/20.pdf).**Additional Information**: * [Application and license requirements](https://dsps.wi.gov/Credentialing/Health/fm1790.pdf).
* Applicants must submit a Certificate of Professional Education, completed by the educational institution, and submitted directly to the Board.
* Applicants must submit a verification of certification from the NBRC, submitted directly to the Board.
* All applicants must pass an open book Wisconsin Statutes and Rules Examination. [Additional information](https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/RespiratoryCarePractitioner/Exams.aspx).
* Malpractice suits or claims form, along with copies of malpractice suit, court documents and allegations and settlement, if applicable.
* Applicants with previous experience as a respiratory care practitioner must submit a Practice of Respiratory Care form.
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| [Wyoming](https://respiratory.wyo.gov/) | **Statement**: *The SLCC Respiratory Therapy program meets the educational requirements for licensure in Wyoming.***Board**: [Wyoming State Board for Respiratory Care](https://respiratory.wyo.gov/)**Contact:** 2001 Capitol Ave, Room 127, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Phone: 307-777-5403. Email: Carla.Fleming@wyo.gov. **Program Accreditation**: CoARC accreditation is accepted.**Certification Level**: CRT or RRT certification required.**Practice Act**: [Practice Act and Rules](https://respiratory.wyo.gov/rules-and-regulations).**Additional Information**: * [Applications and forms](https://respiratory.wyo.gov/professionals/forms).
* Temporary permits are an option in Wyoming. More information can be found on the [temporary permit application](https://docs.google.com/document/d/10L241nKXwZRACfENo2wIrgMJ30OwzN9_dMYIiowbYC4/edit).
* Verification of NBRC credentials must be forwarded directly from the NBRC to the Board.
* Applicants must be high school graduates, or equivalent.
* Applicants must submit proof of lawful presence in the US. A list of acceptable documentation is included in the application packet.
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