



New Brunswick Association of Respiratory Therapists

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Rule

Pursuant to An Act Respecting Respiratory Therapists (herein referred to as “the Act”) 10(1)(e), the NBART will create a specialists register in which shall be entered the name, address, qualifications and specialty of every respiratory therapist who is entitled to be registered in the specialists register under the Act, by-laws or rules.

Pursuant to the Act (2), a specialist means a respiratory therapist whose name is entered in the specialists register and who is the holder of a specialists registration certificate issued pursuant to the Act, by-laws or rules.

Rationale

The purpose of the specialist register is to assure the public that Respiratory Therapists whose names appear in the register have the necessary education and training to safely and competently perform the duties associated with that area of practice and that all continuing education and practice requirements are monitored as per all areas of the practice of Respiratory Therapy.

Criteria for Creation of a Specialist Register

To be considered for creation of a specialist register, the area of practice must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. There must be a formalized training program from an educational institution or program of study that is recognized by the NBART Board of Directors.
2. The area of practice must have demonstrated skill and abilities that are beyond the scope of the National Alliance of Respiratory Therapy Regulatory Bodies’ (NARTRB) National Competency Profile (NCP).
3. The specialty must have an approved examination process in place to test competency prior to the issuing of a certificate or diploma.

Criteria for Member Inclusion into a Specialist Register

Respiratory Therapists applying for inclusion into a specialist register must demonstrate the following:

1. Proof of successful completion of the recognized training program in the specialty as requested by the Registrar of the NBART. Proof may include but not limited to diplomas, certificates and transcripts.
2. Annual participation in the NBART’s Continuing Competency Program.
3. They must meet all other requirements of membership with the NBART as per the Act, by-laws and rules.