SECTION .0200 – APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

21 NCAC 61 .0201 APPLICATION PROCESS

(a) Each applicant for a respiratory care practitioner license shall complete an application form provided by the Board. This form shall be submitted to the Board and shall be accompanied by:

(1) one head and shoulders passport type photograph of the applicant of acceptable quality for identification, two inches by two inches in size;

(2) the fee established in Rule .0204 of this Chapter;

(3) evidence, verified by oath, that the applicant has successfully completed the minimum requirements of a respiratory care education program approved by the Commission for Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs or the Canadian Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education;

(4) evidence, verified by oath, that the applicant has successfully completed the requirements for certification in Basic Life Support which includes Adult, Child and Infant Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), the Heimlich Maneuver, and Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) use by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross or the American Safety and Health Institute; and

(5) evidence from the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) of successful completion of the Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) examination administered by it.

(b) Applicants for initial licensure in North Carolina, who have been inactive and who have not practiced respiratory care for a period of time greater than one year, must complete the following requirements in addition to the requirements in Paragraph (a) of this Rule:

(1) for applicants who have not practiced respiratory care for a period of time greater than one year, but less than five years, the applicant must provide evidence of twelve hours of continuing education, that meet the requirements of 21 NCAC 61 .0401, for each full year of inactivity; and

(2) for applicants who have not practiced respiratory care for a period of time greater than five years, the applicant must provide evidence of either:

(A) sixty hours of continuing education that meet the requirements of 21 NCAC 61 .0401 and evidence from the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) of successful completion of the Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) examination taken as an assessment examination within the 90-day period before issuance of a license, or

(B) completion of a Respiratory Care refresher course offered through a Respiratory Care Education program accredited by the Commission for the Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs.

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