



Delegates Report 2024

Snowbird, Utah

NBRC REPORT

- ▶ Buy One Get One Promo active 7/1/24-12/31/24
- ▶ Each CoARC school will receive \$10,000
- ▶ Single exam rollout set for 2027
- ▶ APRT task force set up in 2023- New outcomes assessment rollout in the 1st half of 2025
- ▶ NBRC will get the APRT Credential Exam out once numbers of APRTs are up
- ▶ More RTs - Used to promote, recruit and retain RTs - please utilize the campaign
- ▶ NBRC supports the AARC projects
 - Human Resources
 - Safe & Effective Staffing Guidelines
 - Compact Licensure
 - SOAR Act
 - Specialty Exam Discount
 - Email sent to state members 60 days prior to meetings - free marketing

Government Affairs Report

Allied Healthcare Diversity Act - Passed

- ❖ May not have funding
- ❖ Reaching out to IDEA committee
- ❖ Ask to get educators engaged

Respiratory Care Interstate Compact

- ❖ 7 states needed for 2025 legislative session
- ❖ Must be identical for all 7 states
- ❖ Commission will issue compact licenses after 7 states have passed into law
- ❖ Needs to be prioritized by states

Soar Act

Veterans' Health Administration Relationship discussion

RRT TO ENTRY Key Points

- ▶ Add hiring leaders, educators, medical directors to discussions
- ▶ Include CoARC programs to the discussions
- ▶ Student licensure does not affect states who have student/limited license
- ▶ Include hospital associations in discussions
- ▶ Only 6 points on Therapist Multiple Choice exam between CRT and RRT credential
- ▶ Changing requirement to RRT minimum can be done without opening license
- ▶ Can grandfather in current CRT for all licensed therapists
- ▶ Lobbyist is an important role in this transition
- ▶ Start with Data! Survey your hospitals - how many already require RRT within 6-12 months of hire Look at local RRT pass rates
- ▶ Compact Licensure coming - will help alleviate travelers who are CRT If not already working on this - start now! All states need to get on board with changing requirement to eliminate CRT exam in the future
- ▶ NBRC can quickly change TMC to RRT level only once all Affiliates have licensure change

Current States with RRT Entry Levels

- ▶ California: Law; January 1, 2015
- ▶ Washington: Law; July 1, 2022
- ▶ Ohio: Rule; January 1, 2015
- ▶ West Virginia: Rule; July 1, 2022
- ▶ Arizona: Rule; January 1, 2017
- ▶ Georgia: Rule; January 16, 2024
- ▶ New Jersey: Law; July 21, 2017
- ▶ New Mexico: Law; January 1, 2018
- ▶ Oregon: Rule; January 1, 201

Emergency Resolution

RRT Minimum Licensure Resources:

Resolve the AARC to compile a quick resource page on the website to assist the state affiliates with changing minimum credential requirement to RRT for state licensure

- (1) a listing of language used to change licensure to RRT minimum that has been successful in other states.
- (2) routes that were taken for licensure change.
- (3) talking points to gain support with managers, education programs, and practitioners.
- (4) background education on the difference between CRT and RRT credential.
- (5) survey tools from other states used to gauge input and compile concerns to be addressed

Student Mentorship Committee

Charges:

- ▶ 1. Promote student involvement in the House of Delegates
- ▶ 2. Ensure all committee members are connected on Connect
- ▶ 3. Invite students to attend the HOD meetings
- ▶ Encourage State Affiliates to sponsor a student to attend the HOD meeting

HOD Executive Report

- ▶ Video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k_PwRqn-eXI
- ▶ AARC board and BOMA are acting as trustees of ARCF. Governance audit. Modernize the organization going forward. Audit should be complete at the end of congress and new trustees voted in.
- ▶ Building is being sold
- ▶ Membership continues to increase
- ▶ PFT accreditation/ABG certifications?

Financial Reporting

- ▶ “validating” the financial report (from another affiliate) vs. “audit” which is done by a CPA
- ▶ Resource: South Carolina (Tracy Cook) has a CPA background and can help as needed
- ▶ Use the AARC Connect page for Treasurers

Resolutions

- ▶ Summer HOD passed
 - ▶ Funding for affiliates that need to hire lobbyists for RRT entry doubled to \$500,000
 - ▶ Numerous website updates
 - ▶ Include EBP resources
- ▶ Winter HOD - call has gone out; we will email them to you and send a survey link for comments

AARC Bylaws Proposed Amendments

- ▶ Article III Membership
 - ▶ Section 7 Specialty Sections
 - ▶ Section 8 Payment of Dues
- ▶ Article V - Board of Directors
 - ▶ Section 1a. Composition and Powers
- ▶ Article VII; Sec. 3.c 1-5
- ▶ Article X - Chartered Affiliates
 - ▶ Section 1. Requirements
 - ▶ Section 3. Medical Advisor
- ▶ Article XII - Committees
 - ▶ Section 2.a.1.

Article III Membership

Section 7 Specialty Sections

Section 8 Payment of Dues

▶ SECTION 7. SPECIALTY SECTIONS

- a. Specialty Sections representing particular areas of interest within respiratory care shall be made available to Active, Associate, and Special Members of the Association. The purpose, organization and responsibilities of Specialty Sections shall be defined in the policies and procedures of the Association. A seat on the Board of Directors will be granted to those Specialty Sections with a minimum of 1000 **Active, Associate, and/or Special Members**, limited to six seats total as defined in the policies and procedures of the Association.

▶ SECTION 8. PAYMENT OF DUES

- ▶ Each member of the Association, except Life Members, Honorary Members, **BOMA Members, and Active Duty Military** shall pay dues in such amounts and in such manner as may be established annually by the Board of Directors.

Article V - Board of Directors

Section 1.a Composition & Powers

- ▶ The executive government of the Association shall be vested in a board of no more than eighteen (18) Active Members consisting of at least five (5) Officers, and twelve (12) Directors-at-Large and/ or Section Chairs serving as a Director from the top six Specialty Sections with a minimum of 1000 Active, Associate, and/or Special Members of the Association. So as long as the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors is at least six (6), the number of ~~at-Large~~ Directors-at-Large shall be equal to the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors. If the number of Sections Chairs serving as Directors is less than six (6), the number of Directors at-Large shall be increased to assure a minimum of twelve (12) Directors on the Board of Directors. The Immediate Past Speaker of the House of Delegates, the Chair of the President's Council and the Chair of the Board of Medical Advisors shall serve as full members of the board with voice but not vote. Directors shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article XII, Section 2 (b).

Article VII House of Delegates

Section 3.c. 1-5 Duties

- a. The House of Delegates shall adopt such rules, regulations, policies, and procedures with respect to the House of Delegates as it may deem necessary or appropriate, and all Delegates shall be bound thereby.
 - b. The House of Delegates Speaker may appoint members to the House of Delegates Committees. In the event of vacancies occurring in any House of Delegates Committee, the Speaker may appoint members to fill such vacancies.
 - c. A representative from each Delegation shall:
 - 1. Attend ~~all~~ meetings of the House of Delegates and report the activities to the respective Chartered Affiliate.
 - 2. Attend the Annual Business Meeting of the Association as the representative of the Active Members of the Association within their respective Chartered Affiliate.
 - 3. Furnish the Elections Committee with the names of qualified members for nomination as Directors-at-Large.
 - 4. Present proposed amendments to the Bylaws Committee at the direction of their respective Chartered Affiliate .
 - 5. Perform such other duties of office as may be necessary or required.
- ▶ Edits had this plural but it should be singular, correct?
 - ▶ Correct

Article X - Chartered Affiliates

Section 1. Requirements

Section 3. Medical Advisor

- ▶ Section 1: Twenty (20) or more Active Members in good standing of the Association meeting the requirements for affiliation, including geographic boundaries for employment and/or residency
- ▶ Section 3: **SECTION 3. MEDICAL ADVISOR**
- ▶ Each Chartered Affiliate **may** have one (1) or more medical advisors whose name(s) shall be submitted to the Board of Medical Advisors

Article XII- Committees

Section 2.a.1. & 2.b.1

- ▶ Bylaws and Elections Committee: add
- ▶ Additionally, the Immediate past Chair of the Bylaws and Elections Committee shall remain on the Bylaws Committee for one additional year in a consultative role, with voice but no vote.

RoundTable Discussions

- ▶ RRT entry level to practice - Summer HOD in Utah
- ▶ Degree Advancement - Winter HOD in Orlando

Donations? Let's Discuss...

- ▶ Does CTSRC want to consider any donations this year (It's been a few years since we've donated, except for last winter when individual Board members collected monies for Disaster Relief)
- ▶ Disaster Relief
- ▶ Bill Bitzel:
- ▶ ARCF Research:
- ▶ International Fellows:
- ▶ General ARCF Fund

Thank you!

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