

Respiratory Care Practitioner

Career Ladder

At OU Health, we are committed to helping your career grow. Our leader have developed a career ladder for respiratory therapists – so you know what the next steps look like.

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Respiratory Care Practitioner I

Minimum Qualifications

Education: Graduate of an accredited registered respiratory therapy program

Experience: None required

Licenses/Certifications/Registrations Required:

- Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) credential issued from National Board of Respiratory Care within 90 days of hire.
- Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential issued from National Board of Respiratory Care within one year of graduation date.
- Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP) issued from Oklahoma State Medical Board
- Current Basic Life Support issued by the American Heart Association required upon hire.
- Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (American Heart Association) within 3 months of hire

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Respiratory Care Practitioner II

Minimum Qualifications

Education: Graduate of an accredited registered respiratory therapy program

Experience: Three (3) years in respiratory therapy

Licenses/Certifications/Registrations Required:

- Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential issued from National Board of Respiratory Care
- Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP) issued from Oklahoma State Medical Board
- Basic Life Support (BLS) - American Heart Association (AHA), Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ALS) - American Heart Association (AHA)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) - American Heart Association (AHA) OR NRP Provider Card (7th Edition) - American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

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Respiratory Care Practitioner III

Minimum Qualifications

Education: Graduate of an accredited registered respiratory therapy program

Experience: Four (4) years in respiratory therapy

Licenses/Certifications/Registrations Required:

- Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential issued from National Board of Respiratory Care.
- Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP) issued from Oklahoma State Medical Board
- Basic Life Support (BLS) - American Heart Association (AHA), Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ALS) - American Heart Association (AHA)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) - American Heart Association (AHA), and NRP Provider Card (7th Edition) - American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

Specialty Credential Required Upon Hire:

- OU Health University of Oklahoma Medical Center and OU Health Edmond Medical Center - Adult Critical Care Specialty (ACCS) through the National Board for Respiratory Care
- Oklahoma Children's Hospital - Neonatal/Pediatric Specialty (NPS) through the National Board for Respiratory Care
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) - American Heart Association (AHA), and NRP Provider Card (7th Edition) - American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)