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Roles of Respiratory Therapists in the Army

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Purpose and Outline

Purpose: To provide an Overview of Army Respiratory Therapist in a Military Treatment Facility (MTF)

Outline:

1. Training and Education
2. Non Deployed Environment
3. Deployed Environment



1. 44 week program; Divided into two phases
 - Phase 1 is 28 weeks of Didactics (12 weeks of prerequisite and 16 weeks of classroom and is exclusively taught by military.
 - Phase 2 is 16 weeks of Clinics and has both civilian and military instructors (METC Online, 2019).

2. Eligible to take Registry

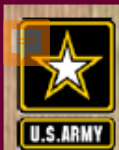


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Non Deployed Environment

- We are a Soldier first and then a Respiratory Therapist
- Works in all clinical areas and with all age groups.
- No specialties
- Thrown right into leadership positions



Deployed Environment

- Fixed facility or Non Fixed Facility
- Oxygen is a luxury
- Equipment and supplies can be difficult to get at times
- No such thing as days off
- Do more with less is more the a saying it's the norm







References

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Questions

