

Expanding the Profession

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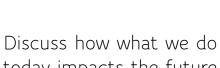
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Objectives







today impacts the future oppo of Respiratory Care

Examine your "Why" and opportunities to inspire others

Learn about exciting ways the field is advancing to meet the needs of healthcare



Professional Projections

□ Over 92,000 RTs will leave the field by 2030 according to the last AARC/NBRC Survey

Bureau of Labor Statistics states that employment of respiratory therapists is projected to grow 13% from 2022 to 2032

□ 8,600 openings for RTs are projected each year on average over the decade

27% decline in respiratory care education program enrollment since 2010 Simply put, advancing patient care requires more staff to care for patients – and more advances in technology

What we do today matters for tomorrow!

EVERYONE can be part of the solution!

- Increase Visibility of the Profession
- Recruit
- Retain
- Elevate



1920s Rubber Oxygen Catheter

Urethral catheters were initially used to administer oxygen.

Image from Dennis Glover

Recruit

AARC – Workforce Task Force § CoARC, AARC & NBRC www.moreRTs.com

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 - ${\bf o}$ National partnership with the AARC
 - **o** State Commitment
 - ${\bf o}$ Students exploring the RT profession as a future career
 - **o** Toolkit
 - **o** RT Competitions





It's a Calling

Helping others in their time of need is the foundation of respiratory therapy.

For the Challenge

Respiratory therapy offers great variety and multiple advancement opportunities. You define your career path.

Lifelong Learning

If you like working with technology and you have a passion for math and science, then this may be your career path.

Solid Career

Respiratory therapists are in high demand, and the profession continues to grow.

What is your why??

Retain Engage Empower

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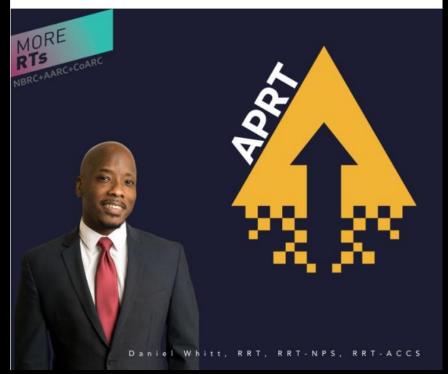
The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

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Big things are happening in **#respiratorycare**! Last year, one of our outstanding Board members, **Daniel Whitt**, RRT, RRT-NPS, RRT-ACCS, spearheaded and launched an Advanced Practice Respiratory Therapist (APRT) role at the VA Maryland Health Care System. We are beyond proud of his hard work and dedication to elevating the respiratory care profession. https://bit.ly/3HPcaaQ #WorldNeedsMoreRTs

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KRCS Respiratory Therapist of the Year

Lindsay Moore MBA, RRT

Lindsay has transformed our simulation education program, expanding offerings to allow all clinical roles greater understanding of respiratory function, pathophysiology, and treatment. She has developed new courses to train clinical staff on the use of ventilators, has advocated for more robust education for RTs, and has played a major role in building respect and relationships between nursing and respiratory staff in our health system. Lindsay is not only the most knowledgeable RT I have ever worked with. She is also the most innovative educator and the most passionate advocate for the field that I can imagine. As an educator, Lindsay improves the care of exponentially more patients through her influence on her students, than she would as a direct patient care therapist alone. She is truly an impressive representative of the field of respiratory therapy, and makes an incredible difference in health care, every day.



2024 Therapist of the Year Lindsay Moore MBA, RRT