

## **MICHIGAN RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSING GUIDE**

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSE BY EXAMINATION (first license)**

- Graduate from a respiratory therapy educational program that is accredited by the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC).
- Obtain at least a two-year associate's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Pass the National Board of Respiratory Care (NBRC) examination.
- Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or province where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.
- Submit the Respiratory Therapist by Examination application found at [http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417\\_27529\\_29413---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417_27529_29413---,00.html) with the \$95.95 fee.
- A fingerprint report and criminal background check are required. Fingerprints must be taken using the instructions and ID numbers that are sent to the applicant after the license application and fee are received.

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT (currently licensed in another state, province, or country)**

- Arrange for submission of verification of licensure or registration in any state, province, or other country where licensed or registered, even if the license is no longer active.
- If licensed less than five years in another state, must also provide education and NBRC examination and certification information.
- If registered in Canada or another country, hold current certification from NBRC OR have education evaluated to determine substantial equivalency to an accredited respiratory therapist educational program and pass the NBRC certification examination.
- Submit the Respiratory Therapist by Endorsement application found at [http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417\\_27529\\_29413---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417_27529_29413---,00.html) with the \$95.95 fee.
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