

COLLEGE OF RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS OF ONTARIO



Entry-to-Practice Exam Policy

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1.0 POLICY STATEMENT

The Council of the College of Respiratory Therapists of Ontario (“CRTC”) accepts the Health Professionals Testing Canada (HPTC)¹ examination as the national certification exam for entry-to-practice requirements.

2.0 PURPOSE

This policy provides direction governing the entry-to-practice examination requirements authorized by the CRTC.

3.0 APPLICABILITY & SCOPE OF POLICY

Prior to 2003, the CRTC also accepted the CRTC’s Core Competencies Evaluation as the national certification exam for entry-to-practice. As of December 2003, the CRTC no longer offers the Core Competencies Evaluation.

- Applicants
 - Applicants for registration will initially be allowed up to three attempts to write the HPTC examination.
 - For each subsequent attempt, the applicant must submit to the CRTC an upgrading study plan for review and approval. The purpose of the review is to verify that the applicant has undertaken a systematic approach in preparing to re-write the exam and to provide the applicant with feedback concerning the content of their study plan which may assist them in successfully completing the examination.

4.0 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [O. Reg. 596/94: GENERAL \(ontario.ca\)](#)
- [Health Professionals Testing Canada](#)
- [Registration Exam Procedure](#)
- [Examination Fact Sheet](#)
- [Study Plan Guide](#)

¹ Formerly the Canadian Board of Respiratory Care (CBRC)



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