



# LTC QUALITY RESPIRATORY CARE RECOGNITION

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Please use this form to register your Long-Term Care Facility as a Quality Respiratory Care Provider.

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Organization CEO \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (for general public) \_\_\_\_\_

Web site URL \_\_\_\_\_

Contact for information about respiratory services *(to be listed on our website)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address *(if different from above)* \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## ATTESTATION

To be signed by CEO

I attest that this organization adheres to the following respiratory care standards:

- All respiratory therapists who are employed or contracted by the long term care facility to deliver bedside respiratory care services are either legally recognized by the state as competent to provide respiratory care services or hold the CRT or RRT credential in non-licensed states.
- All respiratory therapy employees must have completed background checks.
- For routine care and patient assessment, respiratory therapists are available 24 hours a day.
- Respiratory therapists provide patient assessments and make clinical recommendations regarding the service needs and plan of care for the respiratory-impaired residents to respective physicians.
- A policy and procedure manual that is reviewed annually and addresses the provision of respiratory care and services is available at the facility.
- A competency-based training program shall be in place for personnel administering respiratory related care.
- A doctor of medicine (preferably a pulmonologist) or osteopathy is designated as a medical director of respiratory care services.
- A preventive maintenance program must be in place for all RT equipment.
- An established respiratory QA/PI program must be in place.
- The medical director reviews plan of care at least weekly in facilities providing ventilator care and at least monthly in facilities providing only routine respiratory care.
- In facilities that provide ventilator management, respiratory therapists are available 24 hours per day within the facility.
- All ventilator systems shall have a remote external alarm system and an emergency back-up power source.

I will notify the AARC in writing when any of these standards cannot be upheld.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_