

Interstate Transport License Exemption

The American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC) recommends temporary licensure exemption for respiratory therapists who are licensed or certified to practice respiratory care with a valid National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) credential in another state or country for the duration of the transport.

These Respiratory Therapists must meet the following criteria:

- Practice within the scope of their licensing medical board
- Function under the direction of their transport agency's Operational Medical Director
- Follow their transport agency's patient care protocols or their receiving physician's online medical control.

This position of the AARC seeks to ensure that patients needing specialty care or critical care transport have access to Respiratory Therapists' knowledge, skills and the abilities they bring to the transport team.

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