

**American Association for Respiratory Care**  
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**Position Statement**

**Licensure of Respiratory Care Personnel**

The American Association for Respiratory Care staunchly supports the non-restrictive licensing of respiratory therapists at all levels within the defined scope of practice as a means of protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare by mandating a minimal level of competency in respiratory care modalities. Respiratory Care licensure is not intended to limit, preclude or otherwise interfere with the practice of other persons who are formally trained and licensed and who have documented equivalent competency.

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