



TRIENNIAL UPDATE  
FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
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- Make sure to check out the <https://www.morerts.com/> and share the link with others; most recently the U.S. Surgeon General shared a message about the importance of respiratory care- which you will not want to miss.
- The 2021 Report on Accreditation has now been published and can be found on our [website](#).
- The 2022 RCS is open for edits and is due **July 1<sup>st</sup>**. Contact [Tammy Alsup](#) for assistance.
- Our awards ceremony and meet the referee will be in July. More details to come.
- Our next course for the Key Personnel Academy (KPA) is from August 15th-October 31st (10 weeks); thanks to all who registered; the class is now full.
  - We have **opened** a new cohort and are accepting for winter 2022. If you or someone you know still needs to take this course, please use the following link to reserve your spot <https://forms.gle/Kq5giQjnmJ3KWre59>. The class will begin on November 15th - January 31st (10 weeks). For additional information, contact [Shane Keene](#).
- Public comments are now being received for the proposed 2023 Accreditation Standards for Degree Advancement Programs in Respiratory Care. From now until **May 15, 2022**, interested parties are asked to provide their comments and contact information to [Shelley@coarc.com](mailto:Shelley@coarc.com). Interested parties can also provide comments by completing the following [survey](#). Updates about the *Standards* review process will be posted on our [web page](#).
- COVID Policy Update- At its July 2022 Board meeting, the CoARC will be discussing the prospect of ending its flexible policy approach that has been in place during the pandemic. While the CoARC's [December 2021 COVID Policy](#) will remain in effect through August 31, 2022, programs that permanently plan to retain any curricular changes during this flexibility period will be required to submit the appropriate section(s) of the [substantive change application](#) to CoARC as soon as possible.
- The [ARCF awards and grants](#) deadline is June 1, 2022.
- The office will be closed on Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day and Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Independence Day.
- This year we have conducted 3 virtual site visits and 13 in-person/hybrid site visits. We currently have 16 programs scheduled, with more waiting to be scheduled. [We appreciate all those](#) who have volunteered their time to make this possible.
- The [CoARC website](#) helps you stay up-to-date on the CoARC news.