

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY (page 7)

Current Language

All APRT students must:

- Be a graduate of a CoARC-accredited program.
- Hold a baccalaureate degree.
- Hold a valid Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential
- Have at least one year of clinical practice as an RRT.

Proposed Language

All APRT students must:

- Be a graduate of a CoARC-accredited baccalaureate or master's degree program.
- Hold a valid Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential.
- Have at least one year of clinical practice as an RRT.

STANDARD A3 Interpretive Guideline

Proposed Addition

For programs offering off-campus laboratory site(s), there must be an agreement defining the policies governing student access to educational resources and laboratory experiences, for all the program's off-campus laboratory sites. These agreements must include specific notations delineating the terms of participation and describe the relationship between the program and the laboratory site(s), and clearly define the roles of the program, its sponsor and the laboratory site(s).

STANDARD A5

Current Language

Program academic policies must apply to all students and faculty regardless of the location where instruction occurs.

Proposed Language

Program academic policies must apply to all students and faculty regardless of the location where instruction occurs. For students and faculty at off-campus or satellite locations, the sponsor must provide access to academic support services and other resources equivalent to those on the main campus.



APRT STANDARDS PROPOSED REVISIONS

STANDARD B12 Interpretive Guideline

Proposed Addition

Laboratory instructional faculty (at the base program campus and each off-campus location) must have a faculty appointment (voluntary or paid) with the program sponsor. The program must document that laboratory instructional faculty have received appropriate orientation and training regarding their roles and responsibilities, programmatic policies and procedures, and the use of program evaluation instruments that assess student competencies. Off-campus laboratory instructor(s) must maintain adequate, ongoing communication with the Program Director and Director of Clinical Education.

STANDARD E12 Evidence of Compliance item d)

Current Language

d) Clinical affiliate agreements and schedules;

Proposed Language

d) Affiliation agreements/MOUs and schedules with off-campus instructional sites;

STANDARD E12 Interpretive Guideline

Current Language

Program records include CoARC APRT Graduate and Employer Surveys, CoARC APRT Student-Program and APRT Personnel-Program Resource Surveys. Copies of all clinical affiliate agreements/MOUs and master clinical schedules must be kept on file. Advisory Committee meeting minutes and records of all Advisory Committee electronic voting results must also be kept on file. Minutes of scheduled faculty meetings must also be maintained and CVs of faculty must be updated at least annually.

Proposed Language

Program records must include CoARC Graduate and Employer Surveys as well as CoARC Student and Personnel Program Resource Surveys. Copies of affiliation agreements/MOUs with all off-campus laboratory sites, current clinical sites, and master clinical schedules, as well as Advisory Committee meeting minutes and records of all Advisory Committee electronic voting results (when applicable), must also be kept on file. Minutes of scheduled faculty meetings must also be retained along with detailed evidence regarding ongoing analysis of course syllabi and the overall curriculum, based on NBRC Exam-based Reports. CVs of faculty must be updated at least annually.



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PROPOSED ADDITION TO GLOSSARY:

Off-Campus Laboratory Site	An off-campus laboratory site (OCLS) is any location physically apart from the base program campus where the required laboratory instruction takes place. This does not include a satellite campus as defined in CoARC Policy 2.05.
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