



## *Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists*

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<b>Policy Title: E-Learning Mandatory CEC Policy</b>	
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### **Policy Statement:**

The Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists is the body that regulates the practice of Respiratory Therapy and governs its members in accordance with the Respiratory Therapists Act and the Regulations to ensure members have the capacity, competence, capability and character to safely and ethically practice Respiratory Therapy.

The Continuing Competency Program (CCP) is a tool developed by the NSCRT Credential Committee to ensure that all licensed members of the College maintain and further develop the competencies required to safely, competently and ethically provide clinically appropriate care. The E-Volve e-learning module is a mandatory continuing education credit of the continuing competency program used to provide members with an educational review of current and new legislation, regulation, standards, guidelines, and information on any evolving issues related to health care and the provision of safe and ethical care.

### **Definitions:**

- **Continuing Competency Program (CCP)** – A regulatory program and quality assurance mechanism that ensures ongoing education is taking place for all active practice members of the College, and includes members of the non-practicing class, members on maternity, parental or sick leave, or members who registered late in the year.
- **Continuing Education Credits (CECs)** – Activities that have been defined as eligible under the continuing competency program.
- **E-Volve E-learning module** – A mandatory, online CEC developed by the NSCRT to assist registrants in acquiring information relevant to practice and to maintain currency.

### **Policy/Procedure:**

1. The e-learning module is accessible solely via the NSCRT website.
2. The e-learning module is not a pass/fail examination. It is presented as an open book format.



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3. The module will contain up to 25 multiple choice questions.
4. The format will be such that each section will provide descriptive content necessary to answer the question, followed by the question(s).
5. Imbedded in the content will be applicable hyperlinks that will provide additional resources to assist in answering the question.
6. If an incorrect answer is chosen in any section, the member will be required to repeat the section until all questions are answered correctly.
7. Once the correct answer(s) is chosen, the member will be provided with the rationale for the answer.
8. Each question in the module will provide the member with a comment section to provide feedback on the question.
9. The e-learning module must be completed annually prior to license renewal and will be accessible upon the opening of license renewal annually.
10. All members must complete the module within the license renewal window.
11. Each member must complete the module under their own NSCRT member profile to be credited with successfully completing the module.
12. Deferrals will be allowed in extenuating circumstances only following submission of a written request to the Registrar.

### References:

Respiratory Therapists Act S.N.S. 2007. c. 13.

Available at: <https://nslegislature.ca/sites/default/files/legc/statutes/respther.htm>

Respiratory Therapists Regulations made under Section 10 of the Respiratory Therapists Act

Available at: <https://www.nscrt.com/pdf/resources/regulations.pdf>

Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists General Bylaws June 2008; Amended November 2018. S. (B) (C).

Available at: [https://www.nscrt.com/images/2016\\_NSCRT\\_bylaws.pdf](https://www.nscrt.com/images/2016_NSCRT_bylaws.pdf)

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