



FROM THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

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and/or other interested parties**

January 2020

Licensure Information:

- ② An individual no longer in a student/intern/practicum status preparing to enter the workforce, must remember that **a license is required before an individual is authorized to practice.**
 - o **Supervised Practice Approval** – A Board approved status which allows an individual with a complete* licensure application and negative criminal background check (CBC) results the opportunity to work, while the application is in the processing phase. A Request for Supervised Practice Form must be submitted to the Board and approved before any provision of services can begin.
***A complete application means, all required forms and documents have been received, meet the requirements, and there is no positive criminal background result.**

Updated Continuing Education Information:

- An application for renewal of a license expiring on January 31, 2021, and all subsequent licensure terms, shall complete, sixteen (16) continuing education units (CEU).
- Three (3) hours of CEU must be in ethics.
- Two (2) hours of CEU of the sixteen (16) CEU are required in cultural competence and appropriate clinical treatment specifically for individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender non-conforming, queer, or questioning their sexual orientation or gender identity and expression.
- All licensed health care providers in the District of Columbia are now required to complete 10% or two (2) CEU of the required total of continuing education in the public health priorities of the District as determined by the Director and published every five (5) years or less frequently as deemed appropriate. Please follow the link and refer to the identified subjects areas for the public health considerations: <https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/policy-statement-identifying-public-health-issues-continuing-education>
- Proof of successful completion shall be submitted within thirty (30) days after it is requested by the Board.
- The LGBTQ and the public health priorities CEU are also required for a reactivation and reinstatement application.



Board Information:

- **If you are interested in joining the Board**, please contact the Mayor's office of Talent and Appointments: <https://motaboards.theresumator.com/apply/>.
- **The public is invited to attend the Open Session** of Board meetings, which are held the second Monday every three (3) months (except August) at 9:00 a.m. at 899 North Capitol Street, NE, Second Floor, Washington, DC, 20002. View the web page at <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/161462> for agendas and the meeting schedule.

Questions for the Board: Contact Ms. Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist, at ashley.balma@dc.gov