

## Appendix to Article 5

### Senior Professional and Technical Examination for Respiratory Therapists—Internship Accreditation Criteria

The criteria apply to graduates from June 1, 2025 onwards. The internship subjects, content, minimum duration, sites, and make-up requirements are as follows:

#### I. Internship subjects, details, and minimum duration

Subject	Details	Minimum Duration
Basic respiratory care clinical practices	Understanding the operation of respiratory therapy units, understanding common respiratory diseases, the role of respiratory therapists, executing respiratory therapy techniques, equipment maintenance and disinfection, and ethical guidelines for respiratory therapists.	50 hours
Respiratory critical care clinical practice and comprehensive clinical practice	Conducting respiratory therapy assessments and tests, implementing respiratory therapy measures, managing clinical diseases, identifying symptoms of respiratory distress, managing artificial airways, understanding ventilator characteristics, understanding and managing ventilator-associated conditions, applying weaning techniques, effects of muscle relaxants, documenting respiratory therapy records, and developing communication skills with patients and families.	540 hours
Pediatric respiratory care clinical practice	Assessing patient conditions, identifying patient problems, formulating respiratory therapy plans, executing respiratory therapy techniques, understanding pediatric ventilator characteristics, understanding Nasal CPAP features, replacing tubing, understanding and managing ventilator-associated conditions, and documenting therapy records.	160 hours
Long term respiratory care clinical practice	Developing communication skills with patients and families, assessing patient conditions, identifying patient problems, formulating therapy plans, executing long-term respiratory care techniques, understanding ventilator characteristics, identifying and managing ventilator-associated conditions, understanding respiratory function improvement plans, replacing artificial airways, and documenting therapy records.	160 hours
Total		910 hours

- II. Internship sites: The minimum duration of 750 hours for “basic respiratory care clinical practices”, “respiratory critical care clinical practice and comprehensive clinical practice”, and “pediatric respiratory care clinical practice” and at least 50 hours for “long term respiratory care clinical practice” must be completed at hospitals recognized by the Ministry of Health and Welfare as teaching hospitals.
- III. Makeup internship requirements: Candidates who do not meet the content or minimum hours for any internship subject may complete makeup training at domestic medical schools, with certification provided by the respective institution.