



Technical Standards for Respiratory Care Program entry include:

- Enrollment in Antelope Valley Community College (apply on line at [www.avc.edu](http://www.avc.edu)).
- Completion of course prerequisites for RCP 101 with a minimum GPA of 2.0.
- Completion of verification of prerequisites form (available in the Health and Safety Sciences division office, HS 198) with submission of education plan and official college transcripts
- Completion of physical requirements including:
  1. Freedom of communicable disease evidenced by immunization status.
  2. Health history and physical examination that address the emotional and physical demands that include:
    - a. The ability to exhibit written and verbal communication skills, use hands to finger, handle or feel objects, tools or controls, reach with hands and arms, and talk or hear and smell.
    - b. Walk, stoop, kneel, crouch, and crawl and occasionally to sit and climb or balance, push, pull or bend.
    - c. Lift and/or move up to 30 pounds, perform direct patient care activities, transferring, bathing, ambulating, and feeding procedures.
    - d. Manipulate various sizes of equipment and supplies; perform CPR and charting activities.
    - e. Use close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, and depth perception and adjust focus.
- Completion of a drug of abuse screen.
- Completion of a criminal background screen.

Note: The Respiratory Care Board of California requires applicants for licensure to submit fingerprints for criminal background check and driver history. The Board may deny licensure for reasons specified in the Business and Professions Code, sections 480 and sections 3733 through 3763. Completion of an educational program in respiratory care does NOT guarantee that a license will be granted by the board.

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