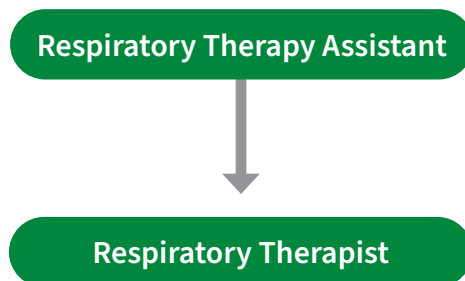


RESPIRATORY THERAPY CAREER PIPELINE

The **Respiratory Therapy** pathway provides a direct, supportive route to becoming a Respiratory Therapist, empowering professionals to enhance patient care with both skill and compassion. Aspirus supports career advancement through personal development, advanced certifications, and specialized roles.

Respiratory Therapist Pathway



Leadership and Operations

Respiratory Therapy professionals can advance into leadership and administrative roles, progressing through supervisory, managerial, director, and executive positions while expanding their expertise and influence.

Respiratory Therapy Assistant

The Respiratory Therapy Assistant is a non-licensed staff member that is an active Senior Student in an AMA approved school of Respiratory Care. That works under the supervision of a licensed Respiratory Therapist to provide patient care such as oxygen and nebulizer evaluations, CPAP and BiPAP downloads and mask fittings.

Education/Training: Active senior student in an AMA approved school of Respiratory Care. CPR/BLS training provided upon hire.

Requirements/Experience: Healthcare experience is beneficial but not necessary.

Respiratory Therapist

The Respiratory Therapist delivers respiratory and cardiopulmonary assessment, diagnostic, and therapeutic services under physician supervision to patients across diverse care settings. They support the education and orientation of hospital staff, students, and the community on respiratory conditions and treatment practices.

Education/Training: Associate degrees from an AMA approved school of Respiratory Care. CPR/BLS training provided upon hire.

Requirements/Experience: Active Wisconsin Respiratory Care Practitioner license. Registered RRT by the National Board of Respiratory Care or obtained within one year of hire.