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To whom it may concern:

I'm greatly opposed to the new state CEU requirement. It is very unfair to have Respiratory mandated to such outrageous new requirement. I personally work 4 separate respiratory jobs to make ends meet.

This is a huge burden financially and the time you have to take off from work to attend these very expensive seminars makes it a double financial burden. Making it specific is even more tricky. The cost of living is very high and respiratory pay does does not keep up with it at all; and the future generation of RT's will have it even worse. This may even discourage people from choosing a career in respiratory.

Additionally nursing requirements are no where near as high as this and their pay is exponentially much higher.

It appears it was Andy Schwartz from Mass General who came up with this idea, I wonder if he would still consider it he made the measly pay that new RT's are making.

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