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To Whom it May Concern:

As a practicing Registered Respiratory Care Practitioner for the last 36 years, I am opposed to the propsed revision to regulation 261 CMR 5.00 that would legislate increased CEU’s to maintain a Massachussets RCP license.

Unlike other professions, CEU’s for RT’s are obtained on our days off and at our own expense. Gone are the days where hospitals allow the time off and reimburse employees for professional education expenses.

The present CEU system is suficient. It is up to the hospital management bureaucracy to assess and evaluate its respiratory staff’s proffessional performance. As an RCP you are either able or unable to get the job done in a given institution. If you cannot, it is up to your employer to improve your training and skill set so you can be proficient. Mandating more CEU’s will not change that dynamic.

Regards,

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