

# 2021 Examinations in Review

## Examinations Administered and Credentials Awarded

We administered 22,443 NBRC examinations and awarded 13,583 new credentials in 2021.

As of December 31, 2021, the total number of NBRC credentials awarded reached 492,875.

	2021 Examinations Administered	Credential	2021 Credentials Awarded	Total Credentials to Date
<b>Therapist Multiple-Choice</b>	11,362	CRT	7,118	269,910
<b>Clinical Simulation</b>	9,008	RRT	5,068	179,823
<b>Pulmonary Function Technology</b>	449	CPFT	154	14,468
		RPFT	158	5,276
<b>Neonatal/Pediatric Specialist</b>	760	RRT-NPS	529	17,219
<b>Sleep Disorders Specialist</b>	86	CRT-SDS & RRT-SDS	65	983
<b>Adult Critical Care Specialist</b>	778	RRT-ACCS	491	5,196

Passing percentages for 2019 - 2021 can be found on the next page.

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## Pass Rates Compared

The table below shows passing percentages for NBRC credentialing examinations given January 1 through December 31 for the years 2019, 2020, and 2021.

<b>Therapist Multiple-Choice Examination</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>New Candidates</b>			
Low Cut	76.8%	80.5%	75.2%
High Cut	66.1%	71.5%	65.1%
<b>Repeat Candidates</b>			
Low Cut	43.7%	48.9%	48.0%
High Cut	25.3%	30.1%	30.0%
<b>Clinical Simulation Examination</b>			
<b>New Candidates</b>	62.3%	67.2%	62.3%
<b>Repeat Candidates</b>	50.9%	53.8%	47.9%
<b>Pulmonary Function Technology Examination</b>			
<b>New Candidates</b>			
Low Cut	64.8%	71.7%	70.8%
High Cut	30.9%	34.2%	41.6%
<b>Repeat Candidates</b>			
Low Cut	60.3%	70.9%	65.8%
High Cut	17.9%	31.8%	17.1%
<b>Neonatal/Pediatric Specialist Examination</b>			
<b>New Candidates</b>	66.5%	75.0%	75.7%
<b>Repeat Candidates</b>	41.5%	54.8%	48.5%
<b>Sleep Disorders Specialist Examination</b>			
<b>New Candidates</b>	81.1%	79.2%	79.2%
<b>Repeat Candidates</b>	63.6%	77.8%	44.4%
<b>Adult Critical Care Specialist Examination</b>			
<b>New Candidates</b>	66.5%	69.0%	66.0%
<b>Repeat Candidates</b>	46.7%	50.0%	52.1%