

2022 Examinations in Review

Examinations Administered and Credentials Awarded

We administered 22,626 NBRC examinations and awarded 12,471 new credentials in 2022.

As of December 31, 2022, the total number of NBRC credentials awarded reached 536,787.

	2022 Examinations Administered	Credential	2022 Credentials Awarded	Total Credentials to Date
Therapist Multiple-Choice	11,241	CRT	5,698	277,294
Clinical Simulation	9,055	RRT	5,189	185,154
Pulmonary Function Technology	511	CPFT	295	14,823
		RPFT	145	5,422
Neonatal/Pediatric Specialist	829	RRT-NPS	508	17,734
Sleep Disorders Specialist	101	CRT-SDS & RRT-SDS	73	1,057
Adult Critical Care Specialist	743	RRT-ACCS	444	5,643
Asthma Educator Specialist	146	AE-C	119	2,668

Passing percentages for 2020 - 2022 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 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Therapist Multiple-Choice Examination	2020	2021	2022
New Candidates			
Low Cut	80.4%	75.2%	77.3%
High Cut	71.3%	65.1%	68.1%
Repeat Candidates			
Low Cut	48.9%	48.0%	50.5%
High Cut	30.2%	30.0%	32.1%
Clinical Simulation Examination			
New Candidates	67.2%	62.3%	63.5%
Repeat Candidates	53.8%	47.9%	52.0%
Pulmonary Function Technology Examination			
New Candidates			
Low Cut	71.7%	70.8%	69.2%
High Cut	34.2%	41.6%	31.6%
Repeat Candidates			
Low Cut	70.9%	65.8%	68.1%
High Cut	31.8%	17.1%	18.8%
Neonatal/Pediatric Specialist Examination			
New Candidates	75.0%	75.7%	67.2%
Repeat Candidates	54.8%	48.5%	44.5%
Sleep Disorders Specialist Examination			
New Candidates	79.2%	79.2%	75.6%
Repeat Candidates	77.8%	44.4%	60.0%
Adult Critical Care Specialist Examination			
New Candidates	69.0%	66.0%	65.1%
Repeat Candidates	50.0%	52.1%	40.5%
Asthma Educator Specialist Examination			
New Candidates	57.6%	59.4%	55.5%
Repeat Candidates	30.0%	29.4%	47.2%