

How do I know if Respiratory Therapy is the right career choice for me?

To explore a career in Respiratory Therapy, students can spend the day, or several hours, with a therapist. Students may observe at any hospital after contacting the Respiratory Care department to arrange a convenient date and time. Allow up to five working days for the contact person to respond to your request. Appropriate dress will be required during your observation. In general, jeans, shorts, T-shirts, sandals and athletic shoes are considered inappropriate. Questions about proper attire can be addressed with the facility's contact person prior to your observation. Some hospitals have additional requirements, such as proof of a recent TB test, vaccination records, or signed waivers. Students should discuss any hospital specific requirements prior to the visit. Strict confidentiality regarding patient care is expected and required by law during and after a clinical observation.

Observations can potentially be arranged with the following clinical affiliates. To cancel or reschedule a clinical observation, students must provide the clinical affiliate 24 hours notice. Failure to do so may adversely affect application to the respiratory therapy program. Visitor restrictions during influenza season may temporarily limit scheduling observations.

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