



Welcome to the official website of the Missouri Society for Respiratory Care (MSRC)! On behalf of the over 4,000 active licensed professionals throughout the state, **we appreciate you visiting our website.**

The MSRC Board of Directors takes pride in providing a current web page for members and visitors with an interest in the field of Respiratory Care. We hope you find it to be both helpful and informative.

The following is the mission of the MSRC:

The Missouri Society for Respiratory Care will be the national model among the State Professional Societies for Respiratory Care. The MSRC will encourage and promote professional excellence, advance the science and practice of respiratory care, and serve as an advocate for patients, their families, the public, the profession and the respiratory therapist.

The purpose of the MSRC is to:

- Encourage, develop and provide, on a regional basis, educational programs for those persons interested in respiratory therapy and diagnostics, hereinafter referred to as Respiratory Care.
- Use all methods and procedures appropriate to advance the science, technology, ethics, and art of respiratory care.
- Facilitate cooperation and understanding among respiratory care personnel and the medical profession, allied health professionals, hospitals, service companies, industry, government organizations, and other agencies interested in respiratory care.
- Raise public awareness of respiratory care, the MSRC, and pulmonary health promotion and disease prevention.

We hope to meet all expectations of these objectives by:

- Supporting the Missouri Schools of Respiratory Care, and providing RCP's with quality educational lectures at our annual meeting.
- Encouraging student and practitioner participation in research, abstracts, and poster presentations at the state and national level
- Contacting state governmental officials at annual Legislative Days to heighten awareness of the importance and appropriateness of Respiratory Care Practitioners providing patient care to cardiopulmonary patients
- Providing health screenings and educational literature promoting pulmonary health and disease prevention and education in each District in Missouri

The MSRC Board of Directors consists of many hard-working volunteer individuals who practice and/or live in the state of Missouri. You would be a welcomed addition to our group, regardless if you are an experienced veteran or new to the profession. The MSRC has opportunities to get involved locally within one of the 5 districts or at the state level. I encourage all licensed therapists to participate in our districts, attend any Board of Directors meeting, or to consider running for a future office. Another opportunity to support the respiratory care profession is by being an active member of the AARC – American Association for Respiratory Care. Maintaining membership ensures our profession has a voice in national healthcare policy and legislation. The MSRC encourages all licensed therapists in the state of Missouri to maintain active membership in the AARC.

Thank you for your interest in the Missouri Society for Respiratory Care (MSRC) and for visiting our site. It is our goal to enhance the level of pulmonary health in the state of Missouri, one breath at a time! We hope you find this website as a useful tool to keep you informed of the latest educational opportunities, advocacy opportunities, and general information on the happenings with the profession of respiratory care.

If you would like more information about the MSRC, if you would like to join the MSRC, or if you are interested in becoming more involved in your professional organization, please contact me.

Thank You,

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