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# SUPERSEDES

# TITLE Senior Respiratory Therapist CLASSIFICATION GRADE 07

# SPECIALTY GRADE 69

## BASIC FUNCTION AND RESPONSIBILITY

Direct, organize, review and coordinate the work of respiratory therapists and technicians within a specific area of assignment and provide respiratory care as required.

## CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Direct and supervise the implementation of Respiratory Therapy care of patients in a given work area serviced by the Respiratory Therapy Department.

Provide information, assistance and direction to respiratory therapists, technicians, students and other departmental staff.

Assign and prioritize coverage for the services during a specific work period by determining the most effective and efficient use of Respiratory Therapy Personnel, replacing or supplementing staff.

Responsible for the identification of respiratory care shift or area problems, taking appropriate corrective action or referral of problem to appropriate supervisor.

Assist in the development and presentation of continuing education programs.

Assure adequate inventory of supplies and equipment necessary for the proper operation of the services within area of assignment.

Maintain effective working relationships with faculty, staff, students and the public.

*In addition to the duties and responsibilities noted above, the position description must include statements from*[*UI Health Care Core Values (WECARE)*](https://uihc.org/mission-vision-and-core-values)*for Health Care positions or*[*Universal Competencies*](https://hr.uiowa.edu/careers/competencies/universal-competencies)*for all other positions.*

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Supervision is received from a Director, Division Manager or other designated official.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Functional and administrative supervision may be exercised over support staff.

## QUALIFICATIONS

A Bachelor’s degree in a health related science or an equivalent combination of related education and experience is required.

Registered by the National Board for Respiratory Care and Licensed as a Respiratory Care Practitioner by the State of Iowa is required.

Considerable (3-5 years) experience in Respiratory Care practice is required.

Excellent written and verbal communication skills are required.