RESPIRATORY THERAPY PROGRAM

Admission Process

Admission Criteria:
1. Student’s most recent College GPA must be 3.0 to be eligible for the Respiratory Therapy Program.
2. Admission process must be completed.
3. All prerequisites must be taken before entering the program. (See attached prerequisite list).
4. Students may come into the program needing Microbiology.

Admission Process and Packet:
1. Applicants must designate Respiratory Therapy as their major.
2. Arrange for all official college transcripts sent to Doña Ana Admissions Office. A copy of transcripts should be placed in the Respiratory Packet.
3. Submit a typed resume outlining your work experience.
4. If transferring from another respiratory program, a letter of recommendation is needed from program director.

Note: It is not necessary to complete a background check as part of the admission process; however, be aware that if you are accepted into the program, a complete background check from American DataBank will be required along with a drug screen. (See attached release form sheets for further information).

An orientation will be scheduled after May 1st for all students who have been accepted into the Respiratory Therapy Program.

FINAL SELECTION PROCESS

FINAL SELECTION is based on a point system. Candidates for the program will receive points for:
1. Current GPA.
2. Required classes already successfully completed.
3. Hobet exam

Admission to NMSU or DACC does not constitute admission to the Respiratory Therapy Program.

The Respiratory Therapy Program begins only in the Fall semester each year.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST BE ABLE TO:
1. Lift fifty (50) pounds unassisted.
2. Hear through a stethoscope or augmented listening device.
3. Manipulate equipment required in the performance of respiratory tasks; this includes bending, pushing, and pulling.
4. Must be able to walk and stand for extended periods of time.

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