



## NCTRC® Disciplinary Process regarding CTRS® Certification

National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification® (NCTRC) is committed to the safe and ethical provision of recreational therapy services to all consumers by Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists® (CTRSs). All instances of professional misconduct should be directly reported to NCTRC for immediate review and follow-up.

NCTRC considers alleged violations of the NCTRC Certification Standards a serious offense and encourages all responsible parties to contact NCTRC with any direct knowledge of CTRS professional misconduct.

NCTRC's professional conduct standards, coupled with procedures for implementation, and utilization of international peer review committees, keep the focus of credentialing in recreational therapy directly on the protection of the consumer of services.

NCTRC standards and procedures relating to professional conduct in practice were developed for the protection of the consumer. NCTRC has the right to limit or revoke certification credentials when it finds that a certificant has not complied with required standards and may pose a threat to the health and safety of the public.

NCTRC monitors adherence to standards to assure that cases involving potential harm to public health and safety are investigated fully and that appropriate sanctions of reprimand, suspension and/or revocation are instituted as needed. NCTRC standards include education, experience, continuing professional development, and adherence to principles of appropriate professional conduct.

### Important Notes:

- NCTRC works in concert with regulatory authorities through adherence to consistent, fair, and objective standards, and full due process in its certification program.
- In the event a regulatory agency presents NCTRC with data concerning violation of local, state/provincial or federal laws or an agency reports gross or repeated negligence in practice, NCTRC institutes a thorough disciplinary investigation.
- Appropriate sanctions will be instituted if the case warrants such action.

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