

Resources for RT/TR Continuing Education Credit



Did you know that you can obtain continuing education from a variety of sources?

To meet NCTRC Certification Standards, the content of continuing education must relate directly to the current NCTRC Job Analysis. Official documentation is needed for all continuing education credits for recertification purposes. Plan ahead for recertification, go to [NCTRC.org](https://nctrc.org) for the most up to date information and requirements.

DIGITAL BADGES ASSOCIATED WITH NCTRC APPROVED MICRO-CREDENTIALS

Gain CEU credits and valuable skills from industry experts who are offering a digital badge associated with an NCTRC approved micro-credential. Earners are assured that a digital badge associated with an NCTRC approved micro-credential is a direct result of NCTRC pre-approved Continuing Education (CE) session content. Click [here](#) to browse the collection.

WEBINARS

Webinars are virtual presentations that allow a host to broadcast live educational video, audio, and content to an online audience.

ONLINE CERTIFICATIONS/CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Completion of online training or specialty course that results in certification.

ONLINE & ON-DEMAND COURSES

Online courses or programs from a continuing education provider or organization.

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Certificates of completion from in-person or virtual conference sessions or workshops.

PRESENTATIONS

Presenter at conference, workshop, seminar, or webinar as primary presenter, guest lecturer, or panel participant. Credit will not be given for repeat or multiple presentations of the same material.

INTERNSHIP SUPERVISION

The Internship Supervision for Continuing Education hours will be awarded to the primary CTRS® supervisor only when the minimum 14-week, 560- hour internship has been completed. Credit awarded for supervision of competency-based internship. Review and complete the **Internship Supervision for Continuing Education** documentation.

SUPERVISION OF PAID PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE APPLICANTS

The Work Experience Supervision for Continuing Education hours will be awarded to the CTRS Work Experience Supervisor only when the minimum of 1500 hours of paid professional work experience has been completed. Review and complete the **Work Experience Supervision for Continuing Education** documentation.

PUBLICATIONS

Author, co-author, or editor of a professional book, journal, chapter, or article. Credit will not be given for the same publication duplicated in different formats.

PODCASTS

Podcasts contain audio or video content and are often recorded to allow the user to download or stream on-demand.

POSTER PRESENTATION

Credit will not be given for repeat or multiple poster presentations of the same material.

EMPLOYER/AGENCY EDUCATION

Many work-related educational sessions or in-services may be appropriate for recertification. *(Please note: topics such as infection control, CPR, First Aid and Life Saving are not accepted.)*

ACADEMIC COURSES

Coursework can be audited (8 hours per academic credit) or taken for credit (15 hours per academic credit). Academic courses may be taken online or through correspondence.

MAINTAINING CEUS FOR CTRS® RECERTIFICATION - IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

As part of the CTRS recertification process, each Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist® (CTRS) is required to recertify every five years in order to demonstrate their continuing professional knowledge and competence.

Documentation: It is the responsibility of the CTRS to acquire and maintain official documentation of continuing education credit (certificates of completion). Certificants may upload and save records of continuing education to the Recertification - Education and Professional Experience application available on the dashboard profile through the MY NCTRC LOGIN portal. The content of continuing education opportunities must relate directly to the current NCTRC Job Analysis.

Continuing Education Pre-Approval Application for CTRSs: NCTRC offers CTRSs the option to submit a Continuing Education Pre-Approval application for review of CEUs prior to submitting their Recertification application. This application available on the dashboard profile through the **MY NCTRC LOGIN** portal.

Recertification – Education and Experience Option: See the NCTRC Certification Standards for details regarding Continuing Education and Professional Experience requirements under this recertification option.

CEUs that meet NCTRC recertification requirements:

Learn in confidence knowing that NCTRC has pre-approved continuing education session content from various conferences, workshops, online and on-demand courses offered by a multitude of organizations and continuing education (CE) providers. Check with the conference or CE provider to inquire if the content has current NCTRC pre-approval status. Also watch for information posted via NCTRC e-Blasts, NCTRC e-News, and the NCTRC Continuing Education Online Event Calendar.

Continuing Education specific to Specialization Areas:

Certificants choosing to submit the Specialization Area Designation application during their recertification process must submit evidence denoting experience and focused continuing education in the specified area of practice.

Review the **NCTRC Certification Standards** for complete details.