21 NCAC 61 .0202 is readopted with changes as published in 30:12 NCR 1296 as follows:

21 NCAC 61 .0202 EXEMPTIONS

The Board shall exempt the following persons <u>meeting from</u> the requirements of obtaining a license: of G.S. 90-664 from the requirement of obtaining a license. For the purposes of this Rule:

- (1) A respiratory care practitioner who is on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States or serving in the United States Public Health Service, or employed by the Veterans Administration; but this exemption shall only apply to activities and services provided in the course of such service or employment.
- (2) (1) A student or trainee who is working under the direct supervision of a respiratory care practitioner to fulfill an experience requirement or to pursue a course of study to meet licensure requirements. For purposes of this subpart, For purposes of interpreting G.S. 90-664 (2), direct supervision shall mean that a respiratory care practitioner licensed by the Board is present in the same facility to supervise a respiratory care student at any time while the student is engaged in the practice of respiratory care. The supervising respiratory care practitioner must shall be specifically assigned to the particular student, but more than one practitioner may be assigned to a particular student. A respiratory care student shall not engage in the performance of respiratory care activities without direct supervision by a respiratory care practitioner licensed by the Board.
- (3) (2) A person who provides only support activities as defined in G. S. 90 648(13). Unlicensed individuals who deliver, set up, and calibrate prescribed respiratory care equipment may give. For purposes of interpreting G.S. 90-664 (4), support activities shall include instructions on the use, fitting fitting, and application of the apparatus, including demonstrating its mechanical operation for the patient, patient or earegiver; caregiver, by unlicensed individuals who deliver, set up, and calibrate prescribed respiratory care equipment; but may shall not engage in the include teaching, administration, or performance of respiratory care. Instructions to the patient or caregiver regarding the clinical use of the equipment, equipment and any patient monitoring, patient assessment, or other activities or procedures that are undertaken to assess the clinical effectiveness of an apparatus, apparatus or to evaluate the effectiveness of the treatment, treatment must shall be performed by a respiratory care practitioner licensed by the Board or other licensed practitioner operating within their scope of practice.
- (4) A person who is licensed by another North Carolina licensing board to carry on an occupation, who is acting within the recognized scope of practice for the license issued by that other board, or who otherwise is carrying out functions recognized as appropriate for the licensed person by that board; and any other person who is working under the supervision of such a licensed person, provided that the supervision of the other person also is recognized as being within the appropriate scope of practice or functions of the licensed person. With regard to other persons who are not licensed by a North Carolina licensing board, the Board shall consider whether there is evidence establishing that such persons meet the requirements of G. S. 90 664 (1).

- *History Note:* Authority G.S. 90-652(2); 90-664; 90-648(13);
- 41 Temporary Adoption Eff. October 15, 2001;
- 42 Eff. August 1, 2002.