

SALISBURY UNIVERSITY
RESPIRATORY THERAPY PROGRAM
“FIT FOR DUTY”

ASSESSMENT: Salisbury University’s Respiratory Therapy students are expected to report to clinical fit for duty, which means able to perform their clinical duties in a safe, appropriate, and an effective manner free from the adverse effects of physical, mental, emotional and personal problems.

Physical Requirements: Respiratory Therapy is a physically demanding profession. Students are required to work twelve hour shifts covering several areas throughout the hospital and may be on their feet for extended periods of time. As a graduate you will most likely be required to work shifts, weekends, and holidays. Respiratory therapy students also help lift patients and transport patients to various sites in the hospital while maintaining ventilation with manual equipment. Ventilators must be