

Preparing for 2019 License Renewals

This year is a renewal year for the ASBRT with all Alabama Licenses in Respiratory Therapy scheduled to expire on October 31, 2019. Renewal reminders will be sent in June to each licensee's address of record. Therefore, it is crucial that your current mailing address is on file at the ASBRT office to ensure Board notices and renewed license cards, etc. are received. Also, ASBRT Administrative Code 798-X-05-.08 (8) requires that, "The applicant and licensee is responsible to supply current address records and notification of legal name change to the Board within 30 days of change". Please see the following link to report a change of address, contact information, or name change:

<http://www.asbrt.alabama.gov/pdfs/Forms/2012Apps/Changeofinformationrevised092412.pdf>

Continuing Education (CE) requirements have changed to be more in line with other licensing boards in Alabama (as advertised in August of 2018 for public comment at www.asbrt.alabama.gov and *Administrative Monthly*). Specifically, ACLS and/or PALS CE courses are now limited to a maximum of four (4) hours for each two-year renewal cycle. If you obtain some of your CE hours from ACLS or PALS, make sure that you receive a certificate, letter, or card that reflects the number of CE hours awarded by the sponsoring organization (many of the cards do not have this required information). It has come to our attention during the last renewal cycle that although some organizations offer a course in ACLS or PALS that they actually no longer provide CE credit due to the basic nature of these courses. Get your monies worth by verifying the hours to be awarded by the sponsoring organization prior to taking these courses if you wish to use them as CE credit to renew your License in Respiratory Therapy (LRT).

A new CE Reporting Form is available at the below link for your convenience in preparing for the upcoming renewal of your LRT.

CE Reporting Form: <http://www.asbrt.alabama.gov/pdfs/Forms/2019/CERporting2019.pdf>