Health Care
Credit for Credentials FAQ

1. If someone is a Sonographer, and holds registries with ARRT as a Radiologic Technologist-R.T. (R), and ARDMS (RDMS), do they get double credit for holding two primary credentials?
   - Answer: A student is able to be awarded up to 80 hours of lower division credit for holding two primary credentials. The student would receive 62 for one, and 18 for the other, giving them 80 lower division credits.

2. If someone is a R.T. (R)(CT), and ARDMS, how many credits will they be awarded?
   - Answer: 93 credits. A student can be awarded a maximum of 93 credit hours for their health care credentials. If the student holds multiple registries/licensures, Ottawa will award them the maximum amount up to 93 credit hours (80 lower division and 13 upper division).

3. If someone holds multiple post-primary registries but their primary registry is something other than Radiography (R) such as R. T.(T)(CT)(MR)(ARRT), how many credits will they be awarded?
   - Answer: 93 credit hours. In this case, the primary registry is Radiation Therapy (T) with ARRT, so the student will receive 62 lower division credits, plus 18 hours of lower division credit and 13 hours of upper division credit for their modality in Computed Tomography (CT) and Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MR), totaling 93 credit hours.

4. If someone is transferring 111 lower division credits from a CHEA recognized school where they completed their Radiography training and they went on to complete a modality (post-primary) through a hospital based or non-accredited certificate program, how will their credits transfer with the credits for credentials?
   - Answer: It will likely be in the student’s best interest to transfer in their previous credits from the school where they completed their Radiography training. Ottawa will then transcribe 98 of those credits as lower division (111 transfer – 13 upper division=98) and 13 credits of upper division credit for their modality, bringing the student to 111 credit hours (98 lower division and 13 upper division).

5. Will Ottawa award a health care professional credit if their registry/licensure is expired?
   - Answer: Yes, during the 2013-2014 fiscal year Ottawa will recognize expired registry cards if the student provides a copy of the expired registry/licensure card to verify they were credentialled and when.

6. If someone goes through an Associate’s Degree program in Radiology, and is registered in mammography (M); will Ottawa transcribe their Associates degree credit, and award additional upper division credit?
   - Answer: Yes, Ottawa will award up to 93 credit hours including block and transcribed credit for a student in this situation. For example, if the student completed 70 credits in their Associates program in Radiology, Ottawa will transcribe the 70 credit hours and award an additional 10 lower division and 13 upper division credits, bringing the student to 93 credit hours.
7. How many credits will we award to a Registered Nurse (RN) that completed a 3 year hospital based program - not for college credit?
   o Answer: 62 lower division credit hours.

8. How many credits will we award to a Registered Nurse (RN) that completed an Associate’s Degree program (ADN)?
   o Answer: We will either award the student a block credit of 62 lower division credit hours, or transcribe the Associates degree credit for direct transfer. If the student prefers the block credit the classes completed within the Associates program cannot fulfill any of the degree requirements.

9. How can a third party verify a perspective student’s NBRC credentials?
   o Answer: A letter of credential verification can confirm for you or a third party the information on each credential currently held. You may request this service online at www.nbrc.org (under the 'Credentialed Practitioners' link) or submit a written request including the following information:

   • Name
   • Social Security Number
   • Current mailing address
   • Address the letter of verification should be mailed
   • Payment in the form of a check, money order or credit card number with expiration date (active status rate: $5.00, inactive status rate: $20.00)

   Allow 7-10 days for processing mailed requests and two days for online requests.

10. Here are sample registry cards:

   - ARRT Registered Radiographer  R.T.(R)
- ARDMS Registered Diagnostic Cardiac Sonographer (RDCS)

- CCI Registered Cardiac Sonographer (RCS)
NBRC Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) Card

- NBRC Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) Certificate