## 2278C0205X CRITICAL CARE Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code Set

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## 2278C0205X Critical Care Certified Respiratory Therapist

Taxonomy Code	2278C0205X
Status	Active
Level	Level III Area of Specialization
Short Name	Critical Care
Full Name	Critical Care Certified Respiratory Therapist
Level I, Provider Grouping	Respiratory, Developmental, Rehabilitative and Restorative Service Providers
Level II, Classification	Respiratory Therapist, Certified
Description	Respiratory emergencies are commonplace in the treatment of critical care patients. Included in the assessment measurements conducted by the respiratory therapist in the critical care settings are arterial blood gas puncture and analysis, intrarterial monitoring, bedside measurements of lung mechanics, hemodynamic monitoring, and inspired and expired gas measurements. This is coupled with the initiation and management of mechanical ventilation patients.

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