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Respiratory Therapy Program Williston Campus 101 Lawrence Place Williston, VT 05495

Dear accepted student,

On behalf of the Respiratory Therapy faculty at Vermont Technical College I congratulate and welcome you to the program.

In order to assist students to be successful once enrolled, all accepted students **MUST** attend the Respiratory Therapy Program information session on the Williston campus on **Thursday, June 18 at 1:00 PM**. This is a chance for the program faculty to give you program specific information and answer questions you may have about the program curriculum.

The enclosed health care form must be completed by your Health Care Provider. You **MUST** demonstrate that you have begun the process of completing the health form **before July 1st** in order to remain enrolled in the program for fall. **Since it normally takes some time to get an appointment, I suggest that you start by making an appointment with your Health Care Provider as soon as possible for your physical exam.** Respiratory therapy students have a mandatory 2-step PPD documentation. The preferred documentation of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, varicella, and Hepatitis B is positive titer levels though documentation by your health care provider. You **MUST** upload all health care documents to CastleBranch. Information about CastleBranch has been included in this mailing.

You **MUST** complete a background check through CastleBranch **before July 1st** in order to remain enrolled in the program for fall.

All respiratory therapy students **MUST** own a laptop computer for accessing computerized exams in class. Please contact the IT department at Williston (802-879-8260) if you have questions about the type of laptop computer needed for your classes.

Under instructor supervision, respiratory therapy students provide patient care in a variety of healthcare settings in VT, NY, and NH. All students are required to travel to hospital sites and are placed at a primary clinical site by means of a lottery system. All respiratory therapy students **MUST** be prepared to travel to clinical sites at a distance from Williston. Students must have a valid driver's license and access to a car for traveling to clinical sites.

Respiratory therapy students do **NOT** need to complete CPR before entering the program. The program faculty will provide CPR certification during the spring semester of the first year.

All of the requirements for entering the respiratory therapy program in the fall will be discussed in more depth at the information session in June.

I am looking forward to meeting you in June.

Sincerely,



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