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RULE CHANGES ADOPTED

CHAPTER 186. RESPIRATORY CARE

The amendments to **§186.4**, concerning Procedural Rules and Qualifications for Certificate Applicants, deletes language in subsection (a)(14)(B) and (a)(14)(E) requiring certificate applicants to pass the jurisprudence exam within three attempts.

The amendments to **§186.10**, concerning Continuing Education Requirements, clarifies when continuing education (CE) credit is granted to Respiratory Care Practitioners for completion of an academic semester unit or hour. Previously, the rule did not specify what kind of coursework qualified for this continuing education credit. The amendment makes clear that the academic semester unit or hour must be part of the curriculum of a respiratory care education program or a similar education program in another health-care related field offered by an accredited institution. Additionally, the amendment specifies that the 15 contact hour credit will be granted in non-traditional CE.

The amendments to **§186.28**, concerning Retired Certificate, deletes language in paragraph (3) requiring retired certificate holders who wish to return to active status to provide professional evaluations from each employment held before his or her certificate was placed on retired status.