



**SENIOR & LONG TERM CARE DIVISION
COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU**

**HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED WAIVER
Policy Manual**

Section: SERVICES

Subject: Respiratory Therapy

References: ARM: 37.40.1463

DEFINITION

Respiratory therapy includes direct treatment, ongoing assessment, equipment monitoring and upkeep, pulmonary education and rehabilitation.

**SERVICE
REQUIREMENTS**

Respiratory therapy must meet the following criteria:

Be furnished in the member's home

1. Be provided by a registered respiratory therapist as defined by the National Board for Respiratory Care
2. A certified Respiratory Therapy technician may assist under the direct supervision of a registered respiratory therapist or physician responsible for and participating in the member's treatment program.

This service is available only to members 21 year of age and older. Respiratory therapy is available to members under the age of 21 as a state plan service under Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) program.