

WAC 246-928-590 Training requirements for the administration of nitrous oxide. (1) A respiratory care practitioner shall follow the training requirements and protocols of the hospital or facility in which they are employed when providing nitrous oxide for analgesia.

(2) To provide nitrous oxide for analgesia, a respiratory care practitioner shall complete training that includes, but is not limited to, the following components:

(a) Nitrous oxide training which provides education specific to administering nitrous oxide for analgesia;

(b) In-service competency which includes hands-on proficiency in the administration of nitrous oxide for analgesia; and

(c) Observed competency requirement of at least one successful, independent administration of nitrous oxide observed by a licensed individual currently qualified to provide this treatment.

(3) Respiratory care practitioners may only administer nitrous oxide for analgesia under direct supervision of a health care practitioner as defined in RCW 18.89.020 who is on-site and physically present in the treatment operatory.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.89.050 and 2021 c 114. WSR 22-11-013, § 246-928-590, filed 5/9/22, effective 7/1/22.]