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SUBCUTANEOUS PERINATAL MONITORING

Practice FAQs

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QUESTION

Are RT's permitted to place an electrode for subcutaneous perinatal monitoring?

ANSWER

Yes, this is an Advanced Prescribed Procedure Below the Dermis that is authorized to Registered Respiratory Therapists. Prior to performing this procedure however, the RRT's must become certified using a CRTO approved package and checklist, which outlines the knowledge, observation and demonstration components required.

Once the package is completed, and the CRTO has reviewed it, the Registration Committee will review it and either approve it or request changes. If approved, only then, may the RT's begin to certify for the procedure.

Please note that Graduate and Limited (Practical) RTs are not permitted to perform any advanced prescribed procedures below the dermis. More information on the approval process for advanced prescribed procedures certification programs can be found in the CRTO's Certification Programs for Advanced Prescribed Procedures below the Dermis Professional Practice Guideline:

[Certification for APPBD \(crto.on.ca\)](https://www.crto.on.ca/certification-for-appbd)