



To Whom It May Concern,

The Neonatal Therapy Certification Board (NTCB) is a multidisciplinary organization committed to ensuring that occupational therapists, physical therapists or speech-language pathologists have the requisite knowledge and experience to practice independently in the NICU setting. Earning recognition as a Certified Neonatal Therapist (CNT) through the NTCB is a rigorous process and includes documentation and verification of:

- 3 years as a credentialed professional
- 3500 hours of practice in the NICU
- 40 hours of NICU-specific education
- 40 hours of NICU mentoring experiences
- Passing score on the Neonatal Therapy Certification Examination.

Study time for the certification examination varies depending on a candidate's previous experience, capabilities, study skills, and time management.

Additionally, since studying for the examination is done independently by the candidate, the NTCB can only make estimates of study time based on candidate self-report. On an exit survey of Certified Neonatal Therapists who had passed the examination between 2017 and 2018, the average study time reported was 25 hours.

Respectfully,
The NTCB