

Dr. Fay Mathis, RRT, CCMA

Candidate position – Vice President Elect

What is your vision for the GSAR, and how do you see your role in advancing the vision as Vice President Elect.

My vision for the GSRC is to strengthen its role as the merging voice for respiratory care professionals across Georgia. An organization that promotes advocacy, education, and professional advancement at every level. Also to expand its influence and partnerships with healthcare systems and colleges.

As Vice President–Elect, I would collaborate with the President, Executive Board, and committees to help advance initiatives that promote leadership development, legislative advocacy, and continuing education opportunities.

How would you describe your leadership style, and how do you plan to engage and collaborate fellow board members, committees, and the respiratory care community across Georgia?

My leadership style is collaborative, transparent, and purpose driven. I believe in empowering others through open communication, accountability, and shared vision.

A strong leader is one that foster strong relationships through active engagement and mutual respect. Diverse perspectives result in the best outcomes when working toward a common goal.

As Vice-President elect, I plan to maintain close connections with regional representatives to ensure that voices of respiratory therapists across Georgia are heard and that the GSRC provide resources when needed.

## What unique skills, experiences, or perspectives do you bring to the table as a candidate for Vice President -Elect?

I bring a blend of educational leadership, clinical expertise, and organizational management spanning over three decades in respiratory therapy. As Program Director for the new Associate of Applied Science in Respiratory Therapy at Charter College and previously as Allied Health Dean and Program Director at Coastal Pines Technical College. I have led teams through CoARC accreditation, curriculum design, clinical affiliation development, and student mentorship.

These experiences have given me a comprehensive understanding of both the educational and professional landscapes of respiratory care. I am deeply committed to advancing the profession through mentorship, advocacy, and high academic and clinical standards. My statewide network of educators, clinical partners, and professional colleagues uniquely positions me to help the GSRC continue its growth, innovation, and impact across Georgia.