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Draft Division 31

Standards for Licensure of Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses

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Definitions

- (1) "Address of Record" means the home address of a licensee, submitted on the initial application or by written notification of change.
- (2) "Application" means a request for licensure including all information identified on a form supplied by the Board and payment of required fee.
- (3) "Approved Nursing Program" means a pre-licensure educational program approved by the Board for registered or practical nurse scope of practice; or an educational program in another state or jurisdiction approved by the licensing board for nurses or other appropriate accrediting agency for that state.
- (4) "Clinical Component" means a course or session in which a student obtains nursing knowledge but not in a direct client/patient interaction, or may relate to nursing practice directly with clients/patients.
- (5) "Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS)" is a credentials evaluation/testing service for graduates of schools outside the U.S.
- (6) "Completed application" means an application and all supporting documents related to licensure requirements.
- (7) "Competency" means an expected and measurable level of nursing performance that integrates knowledge, skills, abilities, and judgment based on education as a nurse, scientific knowledge, and expectations of professional nursing practice.**
- ~~(78)~~ "Comprehensive Nursing Assessment" is an extensive data collection addressing current health status and anticipated or emerging changes in that status; recognizing alterations in health status; integrating biological, psychological, spiritual, and social aspects of care; recognizing the need to communicate and consult with other healthcare providers; and using this broad analysis to plan, implement, and evaluate nursing care.
- ~~(89)~~ "Credentials Evaluation" means an independent determination, by a Board approved service, through review of transcripts and other relevant material, whether an educational program is or is not equivalent to nursing education in the United States.
- ~~(910)~~ "Delinquent Renewal" means late receipt of a renewal application and fee up to 60 days following license expiration.
- ~~(4011)~~ "English Language Proficiency" means the ability to use and comprehend spoken and written English at a level sufficient for safety within the scope of practice.
- ~~(4412)~~ "Examination" means the licensing examination endorsed by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. which may be the State Board Test Pool Examination (SBTPE) or the NCLEX-RN® or -PN®.

- 1 | (~~4213~~) "Expired license" means that the license has lapsed and is void, the nurse has not renewed
2 | Oregon licensure or been granted Retired or Inactive status and is not authorized to practice
3 | nursing but may elect to return to active status by meeting the Board's standards.
- 4 | (~~4314~~) "Graduate" means to qualify in the field of nursing by completing an approved program from a
5 | university, college or school that offers an academic degree, a diploma, a certificate or a
6 | transcript denoting fulfillment of an approved program.
- 7 | (~~4415~~) "Inactive Nurse" status means that the nurse has applied for inactive status, is not currently
8 | authorized to practice nursing in Oregon but may elect to return to active practice by meeting
9 | the Board's standards.
- 10 | (~~4516~~) "Individualized Re-entry Plan" means a plan developed by the re-entry nurse to utilize formal
11 | course work and supervised clinical practice for the purpose of meeting requirements for re-
12 | entry.
- 13 | (~~4617~~) "International Nurse" means an individual who is credentialed to practice as a nurse in a
14 | country other than the United States or its jurisdictions.
- 15 | (~~4718~~) "Limited License" means a registered nurse or practical nurse license with conditions which
16 | specifically limit its duration or full use for practice.
- 17 | (~~4819~~) "Long Term Care Facility" means a licensed skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility
18 | as those terms are used in ORS 442.015, an adult foster home as defined in ORS 443.705
19 | that has residents over 60 years of age, a residential care facility as defined in ORS 443.400
20 | or an assisted living facility.
- 21 | (~~4920~~) "Name Change" means establishing the legal basis through documentation for a change in the
22 | name of record.
- 23 | (~~2021~~) "Name of Record" means the name to which the applicant is legally entitled, submitted on the
24 | initial application, or changed at the written request of the applicant with documentation of the
25 | legal basis for the change.
- 26 | (~~2422~~) "Official Transcript" means a transcript received directly from the school, bearing the official
27 | seal or other designation the school identified, showing the date of graduation or program
28 | completion and the degree, diploma or certificate awarded, if applicable.
- 29 | (23) "Nurse Emeritus" means the licensee retired from practice who has been granted Emeritus
30 | Licensure allowing the practice of nursing, practical nursing or registered nursing to occur in a
31 | volunteer or other non-compensatory basis.
- 32 | (~~2224~~) "Prelicensure Program" means a program of study in which achievement of the educational
33 | requirements for nursing licensure are achieved in the process of obtaining a higher degree
34 | (e.g., direct-entry master's or doctoral degree programs during which the requirements for a
35 | baccalaureate degree in nursing are achieved but the baccalaureate degree is not conferred;
36 | baccalaureate degree programs during which the requirements for an associate degree in
37 | nursing are met but the degree is not conferred).
- 38 | (~~2325~~) "Re-entry" is the process of licensing a nurse who does not meet the practice requirements at
39 | the time of application for licensure by examination, endorsement, reactivation, or
40 | reinstatement.
- 41 | (~~2426~~) "Reexamination" means subsequent examination(s) after one or more failures.
- 42 | (~~2527~~) "Reactivation" is the process of relicensing after the license is expired 61 or more days.
- 43 | (~~2628~~) "Reinstatement" is the process of relicensing when the license has been subject to disciplinary
44 | sanction by the Board.
- 45 | (~~2729~~) "Retired Nurse" is an honorary title given a nurse previously licensed in good standing in
46 | Oregon and does not authorize the nurse to practice nursing.
- 47 | (30) "Self-Regulation" means the licensee takes personal responsibility and accountability for safe
48 | practice while adhering to legal, ethical, professional practice and performance standards.
- 49 | (~~3128~~) "United States" or "U.S." includes all states and jurisdictions of the United States.
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1 Stat. Auth.: ORS 678.150

2 Stats. Implemented: ORS 678.040, 678.050, 678.101, 678.150 & 678.410

3 Hist.: NB 4-1997, f. 3-6-97, cert. ef. 5-1-97; BN 10-1998, f. & cert. ef. 8-7-98; BN 11-1999, f. & cert. ef.
4 12-1-99; BN 6-2000, f. & cert. ef. 4-24-00; BN 2-2002, f. & cert. ef. 3-5-02; BN 17-2002, f. & cert. ef.
5 10-18-02; BN 1-2003, f. & cert. ef. 3-6-03; BN 9-2003, f. & cert. ef. 10-2-03; BN 12-2006, f. & cert. ef.
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9 **Retired Oregon Nurse Status and Nurse Emeritus License**

- 10 (1) A nurse currently or previously licensed in good standing in Oregon is eligible to apply for
11 Retired Nurse status if the nurse held an unencumbered Oregon nursing license.
- 12 (2) All licenses shall be retired simultaneously.
- 13 (3) To receive Retired Nurse status a nurse shall:
- 14 (a) Hold a current unencumbered license to practice nursing in Oregon; or
- 15 (b) Have been licensed in good standing in Oregon; and
- 16 (c) Indicate an intent to retire from nursing practice; and
- 17 (d) Apply using forms and instructions provided by the Board; and
- 18 (e) Sign a disclaimer acknowledging that Retired Nurse status is not an authorization to
19 practice nursing; and
- 20 (4) A nurse with Retired Nurse Status must indicate "Retired" when using the title nurse. (e.g. RN,
21 Retired, LPN, Retired, NP, Retired, CNS, Retired, CRNA, Retired).
- 22 (5) The nurse granted Retired Nurse Status may apply for Nurse Emeritus licensure.
- 23 (6) An applicant for Nurse Emeritus licensure shall submit the following:
- 24 (a) Attestation of 10,000 lifetime practice hours;
- 25 (b) Evidence of current professional practice competency as demonstrated by:
- 26 (A) Identification of one's volunteer practice role,
- 27 (B) Identification of the setting where volunteer practice will occur,
- 28 (C) Documentation that demonstrates how competency for the volunteer practice
29 role has been attained, and
- 30 (D) A plan for continued independent or formal learning to maintain competency
31 specific to one's volunteer practice role.
- 32 (7) A nurse holding Nurse Emeritus licensure must indicate "Retired Emeritus" when using the title
33 of nurse:
- 34 (a) RN, Retired Emeritus, or
- 35 (b) LPN, Retired Emeritus.
- 36 (8) The Nurse Emeritus licensee may re-apply for Nurse Emeritus licensure every two years.

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39 Stat. Auth: ORS 678.031 – 678.050

40 Stats. Implemented: ORS 678.031 & 678.050

41 Hist.: BN 17-2002, f. & cert. ef. 10-18-02; BN 1-2003, f. & cert. ef. 3-6-03; BN 9-2010, f. & cert. ef. 6-
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**VOLUNTEER NURSE EMERITUS
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE COMPETENCY PLAN**

Date of Submission: _____

Time Period Covered: _____

Licensee Name of Record: _____

Current License Number: _____

Instructions:

Each Volunteer Nurse Emeritus is responsible for self-regulation and defining the anticipated venue(s) for the volunteer activities as well as the typical duties/competencies that will be part of these activities. Based on the duties, each licensee will define how professional practice competencies for the role will be acquired or maintained. For those who function in the Volunteer Nurse Emeritus status for very limited hours and in very limited ways would likely have a plan with just a few elements. Those who plan to volunteer for many hours in many different types of venues would have a more comprehensive plan. The plan must be submitted with each application for the Volunteer Nurse Emeritus license but may be submitted/updated at any time the planned activities change.

Plans are reviewed by Board staff to ensure the licensee maintains the competency required to practice nursing, practical nursing, or registered nursing as defined in Oregon Revised Statute. The review is based on consideration of the defined volunteer activity and duties anticipated.

The plan format is provided below with two examples of the types of volunteer nursing activities in which licensees might engage. Again, those functioning in a limited role would have a more limited plan.

Sample Individual Professional Practice Competency Plan #1

<i>Volunteer Activity Planned</i>	<i>Planned Frequency of Activity</i>	<i>Typical Duties</i>	<i>Plan for acquisition or maintenance of competencies for these duties</i>	<i>Planned date of completion</i>
<i>Triage walk-ins at a non-profit health clinic</i>	<i>Once a month for four hours</i>	<i>Intake assessment (health history)</i> <i>Review of medications</i> <i>System assessment pertinent to current condition</i>	<i>Have conducted these intakes at this clinic for the last four years. Continuing in the same role.</i> <i>Review clinic policies and standing orders annually</i>	<i>2011-2015 (and continuing)</i> <i>By October 31 of each year</i>

Volunteer Activity Planned	Planned Frequency of Activity	Typical Duties	Plan for acquisition or maintenance of competencies for these duties	Planned date of completion
		or presenting complaint	<p>Read peer-reviewed nursing journals each month addressing topics pertinent to this clinic (includes American Journal of Nursing and Journal of Professional Nursing)</p> <p>Complete no less than 5 hours of independent or formal learning each year related to the common health conditions seen at this clinic (diabetes, heart failure, renal compromise, triage role)</p> <p>Seek feedback from clinic manager on performance in triage role</p>	<p>By end of each month</p> <p>By birthday each year</p> <p>By October 31 of each year</p>

Sample Individual Professional Practice Competency Plan #2

Volunteer Activity Planned	Planned Frequency of Activity	Typical Duties	Plan for acquisition or maintenance of competencies for these duties	Planned date of completion
Conduct B/P screening at local senior center	Not more than once a month for two hours	<p>Take B/P's</p> <p>Conduct brief history review related to CV system and any</p>	Review current American Heart Association guidelines related to B/P normals annually	By birthday each year

<i>Volunteer Activity Planned</i>	<i>Planned Frequency of Activity</i>	<i>Typical Duties</i>	<i>Plan for acquisition or maintenance of competencies for these duties</i>	<i>Planned date of completion</i>
		<p><i>pertinent medications</i></p> <p><i>Provide health teaching tools to selected individuals based on findings</i></p>	<p><i>Review the US Preventive Service B/P Screening Guidelines annually</i></p> <p><i>Ensure all health teaching tools are evidence-based</i></p> <p><i>Observations of B/P technique at least once each year by another nurse</i></p>	<p><i>By birthday each year</i></p> <p><i>Before each screening session</i></p> <p><i>By birthday each year</i></p>

Note:

The blank form for the licensee to complete will follow or will be linked from this sample document.

Enrolled
Senate Bill 547

Sponsored by Senator MONNES ANDERSON

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to nurse emeritus licenses; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 678.010 to 678.410.

SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon State Board of Nursing may issue a nurse emeritus license to an applicant who:

(a) Is a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, licensed practical nurse, nurse practitioner or registered nurse;

(b) Has been granted retired status by the board as described in ORS 678.050; and

(c) Pays the license fee as established by rule of the board.

(2) Notwithstanding ORS 678.050 (6), a nurse emeritus may engage in the practice of nursing, practical nursing or registered nursing on a volunteer or other noncompensatory basis.

(3) The board shall adopt rules to establish:

(a) The annual license fee for the nurse emeritus license described in subsection (1) of this section; and

(b) The method to determine the competency required to practice nursing, practical nursing or registered nursing as a nurse emeritus.

SECTION 3. (1) Section 2 of this 2015 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2016.

(2) The Oregon State Board of Nursing may take any action necessary before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section to enable the board to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, functions and powers conferred on the board by section 2 of this 2015 Act.

SECTION 4. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

Passed by Senate March 4, 2015

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Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

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