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**Inactive to active license status for chiropractic physicians**

The following policy is an expansion of the current Oregon Administrative Rule 811-010-0086(8) which reads, "Inactive licensees who apply for reinstatement after five or more years after the date of transfer to inactive license, or who cannot demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board they have been in active practice during the preceding five years, may be required to establish their competency in the practice of chiropractic by:

(a) Receiving a passing grade on all or part of an examination required by the Board; or
(b) Submitting a license verification showing proof of active chiropractic practice and any disciplinary actions from all state boards where licensure is maintained; or
(c) Petition the Board to show proof licensee has been actively involved in a health profession in another capacity for a minimum of at least one year of the last five."

Any licensee who has maintained an inactive license for five or more years will be required to meet one of the following criteria before they may receive an active license in Oregon:

1) **Proof that the licensee was actively practicing at least one year of the past five.** Proof should include evidence of malpractice insurance, clinic address, and license verification from the state where practicing.

   **Or**

2) **Show proof that one of the following exams was successfully passed in the past five years:**

   a) National Board of Chiropractic Examiners' SPEC Exam (aka Special Purposes Exam for Competency)
   b) National Board of Chiropractic Examiners' (practical) Part IV Exam
   c) Another state's licensing exam

   **Or**

3) **Petition the Oregon Board**
   The chiropractic physician should explain why it is not necessary to prove competence, or explain the reason(s) why it’s not necessary to meet these requirements to prove competence.