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RULES:

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RULE TITLE: Associate Registration Renewal

NOTICE FILED DATE: 02/26/2025

RULE SUMMARY: Removes the schedule that sets forth minimum disciplinary action the Board will take when a former registered associate allows their registration to lapse and continues to practice unregistered in violation of the law. Adds a provision that the Board may treat each 90-day increment of unlicensed practice (or any part thereof) as a separate violation for purposes of imposing a sanction.

RULE TEXT:

- (1) A registered associate must renew registration annually each year following initial registration. Annual renewal is due by the first day of the month of initial registration to be considered timely.
- (2) Registration renewal requires the registered associate to submit an application for registration renewal in a form and manner prescribed by the Board, which must include the renewal fee, complete and truthful responses to all of the questions regarding character and fitness, clinical supervised experience, registrant's current information and status, and any other questions.
- (3) Late Renewal. A registered associate may renew a registration after the first day of the month but within the renewal month by, in addition to completing the requirement in section (2) above, submitting to the Board the required delinquent fee. If these are not timely submitted, then the associate registration will be expired. Expired registered associates must reapply pursuant to OAR 833-020-0071 in order to practice as a registered associate or be considered for licensure.
- (4) Renewal may be denied if any of the conditions of the plan are not being met.
- (5) Registered associates must renew registration annually until being granted a license or the expiration or denial of associate registration.
- (6) When a former registered associate who has allowed their registration to lapse continues to practice in violation of

ORS 675.825(1)(d), the Board may treat each 90-day increment of unlicensed practice (or any part thereof) as a separate violation for purposes of imposing a sanction pursuant to ORS 675.745(4).

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 675.785 - 675.835, 676.160 - 676.180

STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: ORS 675.785 - 675.835

AMEND: 833-075-0020

RULE TITLE: License Renewal/Late Renewal

NOTICE FILED DATE: 02/26/2025

RULE SUMMARY: Removes the schedule that sets forth minimum disciplinary action the Board will take when a former licensee allows their license to lapse and continues to practice unlicensed in violation of the law. Adds a provision that the Board may treat each 90-day increment of unlicensed practice (or any part thereof) as a separate violation for purposes of imposing a sanction.

RULE TEXT:

(1) Before the Board will renew a license, a licensee must, no more than 45 days before or during the renewal month:

(a) Submit an application for renewal in a form and manner prescribed by the Board, which must include complete and truthful responses to all questions regarding continuing education, character and fitness, licensee's current information and status, and any other questions, and a sworn statement that there is no reason for denial of renewal;

(b) Pay the appropriate renewal fee;

(c) Submit continuing education information detailing compliance with the requirements, if applicable; and

(d) Complete the required healthcare workforce data survey and pay the fee established by the Oregon Health Authority pursuant to ORS 676.410.

(2) Late Renewal. A licensee may renew a license in the month following the renewal month by, in addition to completing the requirements of section (1) above, submitting to the Board the required delinquent fee. If these are not timely submitted, then the license shall lapse.

(3) The licensee holds the burden of proof of submission of the items required for renewal. Failure to receive a courtesy reminder from the Board shall not relieve a licensee of the renewal requirements and consequences.

(4) The Board shall have discretion to waive the delinquent fee in cases of documented hardship.

(5) When a former licensee who has allowed their license to lapse continues to practice in violation of ORS 675.825(1)(d), the Board may treat each 90-day increment of unlicensed practice (or any part thereof) as a separate violation for purposes of imposing a sanction pursuant to ORS 675.745(4).

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