Change Advisory: Division 41 NPA Update

Summary

Division 41 of the practice act was updated 12/01/24. The Board approved the proposed changes during the 11/21/24 Board meeting. The nurse intern license is under-utilized in the State of Oregon due to known barriers surrounding initial licensure and renewal of licensure. These rules attempt to remove barriers to obtaining an initial NI license by allowing students more opportunities to complete the application requirements and at an earlier point in their nursing education. The license has been extended to allow students additional opportunities to work as nurse interns. With the license extension, we have clarified that licensees have a duty to report changes related to their student-status.

Impact

Internal: The nurse intern license has a zero (\$0) fee application. Extending the license will reduce OSBN staff processes surrounding renewals.

External: Individuals with an extended license will have greater opportunity to earn income in nurse intern roles.

Details

Division 41	
	Old language Summary New language Update Summary
041-0020	1. Complete 1 full year 1. Complete at least one academic term
	2. Good academic standing 2. Current good academic standing within the
	3. Can take CNA exam once nursing education program
	per term. Failure will require 3. Removed the test once per term language to
	the applicant to wait until reduce barriers.
	the next term to test again.
041-0030	1. Shall expire 30 days after 1. License will be valid for a 12-month period.
	the end of the term. September 1 – August 31 of the following
	year.
041-0080	1. Added rule intro paragraph that was
	mistakenly not included in the last rule.
	2. Added duty to report leave of absence or
	change in good academic standing.