Continuing Education Requirements for Reinstatement

As of January 1, 2026, practice/work hours will no longer be required for Oregon licensed nurses or CNAs. Going forward, continuing education hours will be used to assure competency. Renewal applicants whose Oregon license has been expired for 91 days or more will be required to **reinstate** their license.

AS OF JANUARY 1, 2026

RN/LPN/APRN Reinstatement Applicants

All RN/LPN/APRN reinstatement applicants are required to show evidence of completing the required amount of continuing education based on the length of time that their license has expired. The continuing education must be completed after the date your license was issued or since your last renewal, whichever occurred more recently.

- If the license has expired more than 90 days but no more than two years, you will need to complete 20 hours of continuing education.
- If the license has been expired more than two years but no more than three years, you will need to complete 30 hours of continuing education.
- If the license has been expired more than three years but no more than four years, you will need to complete 40 hours of continuing education.
- If the license has been expired more than four years but no more than five years, you will need to complete 50 hours of continuing education.
- If the license has been expired more than five years, you will need to complete 60 hours of continuing education.

Pain Management

- All applicants for RN/LPN in Oregon must complete the one-hour pain management education course through the Oregon Pain Management Commission. To complete this requirement or for more information, please visit the Oregon Pain Management Commission's website. (https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/dsi-pmc/Pages/module.aspx)
- Oregon nursing students completed this requirement in their nursing education programs.
- Note: Pain management continuing education may be used towards the total hours of your continuing education requirement.

Cultural Competency

- **All** RN/LPN/CNA applicants are required to show completion of two hours of cultural competency education in the past 48 months. To complete this requirement or for more information, please visit the Oregon Health Authority : Cultural Competence Continuing Education (CCCE) : Equity and Inclusion Division : State of Oregon. (https://www.oregon.gov/oha/EI/Pages/CCCE.aspx)
- Note: Cultural competency continuing education may be used towards the total hours of your continuing education requirement.

Continuing Education Requirement for RN/LPN/APRN Reinstatement Applicants

Time Since License Expired	Required CE Hours
91 days - 2 Years	20 Hours CE
2 - 3 Years	30 hours of CE
3 - 4 Years	40 Hours CE
4 - 5 years	50 hours of CE
More than 5 Years	60 Hours CE

Continuing Education Requirement for CNA/CMA Reinstatement Applicants

For certificate-holders whose certificate has been expired more than 91 days	
Continuing Education for Medication Aides Only	8 hours of continuing education related to medication aide authorized duties
Cultural Competency for CNAs	**Two hours of cultural competency education in the past 48 months.** To complete this requirement or for more information, please visit the Oregon Health Authority : Cultural Competence Continuing Education (CCCE) : Equity and Inclusion Division : State of Oregon.