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ALABAMA BOARD OF NURSING

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Nursing

RULE NO. & TITLE: 610-X-2-.10 Definitions, Continuing Education for Licensure

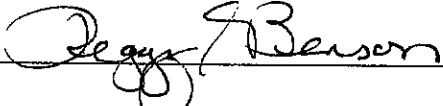
INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend the definitions related to regulation of nursing practice and education.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend Administrative Code, 610-X-2-03, Definitions, Continuing Education for Licensure. A copy of the proposed rule may be found on the Board's web site, www.abn.alabama.gov, under "laws" and then "proposed rule changes." The proposed changes ensure consistency in the use of regulatory terms.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or verbal comments will be received by the Board of Nursing until 4:30 P.M. on Wednesday, March 7, 2018. Verbal or written comments should be directed to Peggy Benson, Executive Officer, at P.O. Box 303900, Montgomery, AL 36130-3900 or via electronic mail at Peggy.Benson@abn.alabama.gov or via telephone at 334-293-5210.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:
The record closes at 4:30 P.M. on Wednesday March 7, 2018.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Peggy Benson, Executive Officer.


Executive Officer

Definitions, Continuing Education fFor Licensure.

- (1) Board Approved Continuing Education Provider: An individual; partnership; association; organization; educational institution; governmental agency; or licensed health care facility, including hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, home health agencies, or other organized health care facilities, offering continuing education for nurses that meet Board criteria for approval and assigned an Alabama Board of Nursing Provider (ABNP) number.
- (2) Board Recognized Continuing Education Provider: A national or regional agency, journal, Alabama regulatory agency or board, or another Board of Nursing recognized by the Alabama Board of Nursing as providing or approving continuing education in accordance with criteria that are substantially the same as those required of Alabama Board of Nursing approved providers of continuing education.
- (3) Board Approved or Board Recognized Continuing Education Course: An activity that meets the definition of continuing education and has undergone approval by a Board approved provider or Board recognized provider of continuing education. A course or activity may be a program of multiple sessions or a single session lasting at least twenty-five minutes (0.5 contact hours).
- (4) Continuing Education: Planned, organized learning experiences designed to augment the knowledge, skill, and attitudes for the enhancement of the practice and of nursing to the end of improveing health care delivered to the public.
- (5) Continuing Education Contact Hour: Unit of measurement of continuing education that meets Board criteria for approval and lasts at least fifty minutes.
- (6) Provider Number: A number assigned by the Board to designate an approved provider.
- (7) Refresher Course: A body of study with both theoretical and clinical components that is relevant to current practice modalities and technologies.

Author: Alabama Board of Nursing

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-21-2, 34-21-23(f).

History: New Rule: Filed January 29, 2002; effective March 5, 2002. **Amended:** Filed September 16, 2005; effective October 21, 2005. **Amended:** Filed February 23, 2009;

effective March 30, 2009. **Amended:** Filed January 25, 2011; effective March 1, 2011. **Amended:** Filed January 22, 2018.