

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 610 Department or Agency Alabama Board of Nursing
Rule No. 610-X-4-01
Rule Title: Definitions
 New Amend Repeal Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? No

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

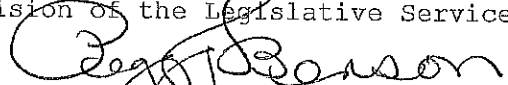
Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.


Signature of certifying officer Peggy Sellers Benson, RN, MSHA, MSN, NE-BC

Date November 16, 2018

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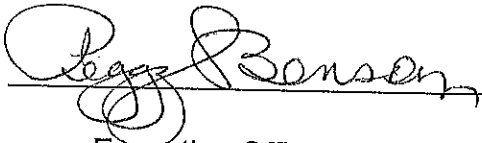
INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend the rules related to continuing education.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend ABN Administrative Code, 610-X-4-.01, to extend the period during with continuing education credit may be accrued. 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."

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or verbal comments will be accepted until Friday, January 4, 2019. 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 Friday, January 4, 2019.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Peggy Benson, Executive Officer.


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LICENSURE

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610-X-4-.01 Definitions.

(1) Application(s): Form(s) and process(es) for applicants seeking licensure by examination, endorsement, reinstatement, or renewal.

(a) Incomplete application: Missing requirements.

(b) Complete application: Meets requirements.

(c) Void application: Any incomplete application voided due to failure by the applicant to satisfy all requirements within one year of submission.

(2) Board Lapsed: Action by the Board to lapse a license until certain conditions are met.

(3) Continuing Education Earning Period: Same—

~~as license period: January 1 through December 31~~
~~of the renewal year. Period of time during which contact~~
hours shall be accrued. Begins upon initial licensure or
renewal of an individual nurse's license during the renewal
period and ends upon renewal of the individual nurse's
license during the next renewal period.

- (4) Coordinated Licensure Information System: A system recognized as a primary source for licensure data from participating state boards of nursing and territories in the United States.
- (5) Lapsed License: Failure of licensee to renew; does not require examination for reinstatement.
- (6) Emergency: For purposes of this chapter, a declaration by the Governor of Alabama that an emergency impacting the public health, safety and welfare exists in Alabama.
- (7) Endorsement: The process of application for and method of licensure for a registered or licensed practical/vocational nurse originally licensed as a nurse in a jurisdiction other than Alabama.
- (8) Supervision, Direct: Licensed registered nurse physically present in facility and readily accessible to designate or prescribe a course of action or to give procedural guidance, direction, and periodic evaluation.
- (9) Verification: The process of verifying original or current licensure in Alabama. The verification process shall be defined by the Board.
- (10) Primary Source Verification: Verification provided directly to the Board by the entity that is the original source of the document of educational credentials, certification, and/or licensure or an approved primary source organization recognized by the Board.
- (11) Disaster: A serious disruption, occurring over a relatively short time, of the functioning of a community or a society involving widespread human, material, economic, or environmental loss and impacts, which exceeds the ability of the affected community or society to cope using its own resources.
- (12) Public Health emergency: An emergency need for health care [medical] services to respond to a disaster or significant outbreak of an infectious disease, bioterrorist attack, or other significant or catastrophic event.
- (13) Emergency Operation Plan: A facility specific plan

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developed as described by the Emergency Management Standards set forth by the Joint Commission, which outlines emergency structures and processes to respond to a range of emergencies varying in scale, duration, and cause.

Author: Alabama Board of Nursing

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-21-2, 34-21-9.

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