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**Definitions.**

- (A) "Category A" means the portion of continuing education that meets the one hour requirement directly related to Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code and the rules of the board as set forth in rule 4723-14-03 of the Administrative Code.
- (B) "Category B" means the portion of continuing education that meets the requirement for continuing education for the non-certified clinical nurse specialist as set forth in rule 4723-8-10 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) "Category C" means the portion of continuing education that meets the continuing education directly related to dialysis care for the certified dialysis technician as set forth in rule 4723-23-06 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) "Category D" means the portion of continuing education that meets the continuing education in advanced pharmacology for the nurse holding a certificate to prescribe as set forth in section 4723.485 of the Revised Code.
- (E) "Continuing education" means a planned learning activity that builds upon a licensee's or certificate holder's prelicensure or precertification education program and enables the licensee or certificate holder to acquire or improve skills, knowledge, or behavior that promote professional or technical development or advance the licensee's or certificate holder's career goals. The activity may include classroom, clinical, or independent study but shall not include the activities set forth in paragraph (B) of rule 4723-14-05 of the Administrative Code.
- (F) "Contact hour" means fifty or sixty minutes of continuing education.
- (G) "Faculty-directed continuing education activity" means a continuing education activity in which faculty facilitate the pace and content of the activity, and the activity is one for which contact hours may be awarded in accordance with this chapter. The faculty and participants must engage in the activity at the same time. The activity may occur in settings such as, but not limited to, a classroom, on-line, or via teleconference provided that one or more individuals is facilitating the pace of the activity at the time of the activity.
- ~~(G)~~(H) "Independent study" means a self-paced learning activity developed and directed by a provider of continuing education for individual use which has been approved by an Ohio board of nursing OBN approver, another regulatory board, an accredited educational institution, or a national accreditation system and which includes both a mechanism for evaluation of learning and feedback to the learner.
- ~~(H)~~(I) "Interdisciplinary continuing education" means a planned, organized learning experience approved by a nationally recognized accreditation system designed for a

target audience made up of members of two or more separate professions.

~~(J)~~(J) "OBN approver" means an approver of continuing education that has successfully completed the approval or reapproval process set forth in rules 4723-14-09 and 4723-14-10 of the Administrative Code.

~~(K)~~(K) "Planned learning activity" means an educational experience which meets the requirements of this chapter and which may include interdisciplinary continuing education.

~~(L)~~(L) "Planning committee" means a group of knowledgeable individuals, including potential participants from or representatives of the target audience, who design continuing education.

~~(M)~~(M) "Proof of completion of approved continuing education" means a legible photocopy of the continuing education certificate, academic transcript or grade report, or other documentation of completion which verifies that the licensee or certificate holder has satisfactorily completed approved continuing education and which meets the requirements set forth in rule 4723-14-06 of the Administrative Code.

~~(N)~~(N) "Provider" means a person responsible for the ~~development, implementation, evaluation, financing, record keeping, and maintenance of quality assurance mechanisms for any of the types of planning and presentation of a faculty-directed or independent study continuing education activities~~activity described in this chapter of the Administrative Code.

(O) "Provider unit" means a person whose entire continuing education system has been approved by an OBN approver as described in this chapter of the Administrative Code and is therefore authorized by the approver to plan and present their own multiple continuing education activities.

~~(P)~~(P) "Reporting period" means:

- (1) For a licensed practical nurse, the first of September through the thirty-first of August in the even numbered years;
- (2) For a registered nurse, the first of September through the thirty-first of August in the odd numbered years; and
- (3) For an Ohio certified dialysis technician, the first of April through the thirty-first of March in the odd numbered years.

~~(O)~~(Q) "Waiver" means a one-time exception from fulfilling the continuing education requirement set forth in section 4723.24 of the Revised Code and rules 4723-14-03 and 4723-23-06 of the Administrative Code.

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