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**Quality assurance standards.**

- (A) A holder of a current valid certificate of authority shall continue to meet all educational and certification requirements in accordance with section 4723.41 of the Revised Code and this chapter and shall notify the board of renewal of national certification.
- (B) A holder of a current valid certificate of authority shall continue to meet all continuing education requirements and, where applicable, other requirements necessary to maintain certification as determined by the applicable national certifying body.
- (C) The certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist and the collaborating physician or podiatrist shall jointly review each effective standard care arrangement ~~they have entered into at a minimum of~~ at least one time each year. Such review shall be documented with the date and signature of each nurse who is party to the arrangement and at least one collaborating physician or podiatrist.
- (D) Each certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, and clinical nurse specialist who is a party to a standard care arrangement shall adhere to all quality assurance provisions of the standard care arrangement in accordance with this chapter. Failure to provide, enter into, or to practice in accordance with a standard care arrangement shall subject a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist to an adjudication conducted by the board under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (E) Each practicing ~~certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, and clinical nurse specialist~~ advanced practice nurse shall participate in a quality assurance process and shall immediately provide documentation satisfactory to the board of such participation upon request of the board. The quality assurance process shall include at a minimum:
- (1) Periodic random chart review at least annually by a collaborating or supervising physician, podiatrist, dentist, or a designated member of a quality assurance committee of the institution, organization, or agency where the nurse has practiced during the period covered by the review. Where applicable, a procedure for periodic review, at least semi-annually, of prescriptions written and prescribing patterns for the holder of a certificate to prescribe;
  - (2) Subsequent to each chart review, a conference shall be held between a collaborating or supervising physician, podiatrist, dentist, or a designated member of a quality assurance committee of the institution, organization, or agency and the ~~certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified~~

~~registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist~~ advanced practice nurse. Such conference shall include, but not be limited to, a discussion of the results of the chart review and identification of client care issues, and, where applicable, whether past plans for improving care delivery have been effectively implemented. The results of the chart review and conference shall be used to maintain or improve care delivery;

- (3) A plan whereby results of the chart review and conference are to be used to maintain or improve care delivery; and
  - (4) A process for client evaluation of care.
- (F) Documentation of participation in an ongoing, systematic quality assurance process at an institution, organization, or agency shall satisfy the requirements of paragraph (E) of this rule, provided there is a plan to utilize the results of the quality assurance process to maintain or improve care delivery.
- (G) Annually, each certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, and clinical nurse specialist shall verify the licensure and, if applicable, certification status of each collaborating physician or podiatrist with whom the nurse has ~~entered into~~ an effective standard care arrangement. Verification of physician or podiatrist licensure and certification status may be ~~performed and documented~~ provided by an employing institution, organization, medical group practice, or agency. When verification of ~~physician or podiatrist licensure and certification status is completed by an institution, organization, medical group practice, or agency,~~ is provided in accordance with this paragraph, the certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist shall document such verification at the request of the board.
- (H) Upon receiving a complaint related to the practice of ~~a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist~~ an advanced practice nurse, or at the discretion of the board, the board may review adherence to the quality assurance standards set forth in this rule.

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