Standards and procedures for approval as a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist.

- (A) To obtain a certificate of authority to practice as a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist, an applicant who meets the qualifications set forth in section 4723.41 of the Revised Code and this chapter shall:
  - (1) Submit a completed application on a form specified by the board that includes the requirements set forth in section 4723.41 of the Revised Code; and
  - (2) Submit an application fee of one hundred dollars. If through no fault of the board, an applicant for a certificate of authority is not determined eligible for a certificate of authority within one year from receipt of the application, the application shall be considered void and the fee forfeited. The application shall state the circumstances under which this forfeiture may occur.
- (B) An initial certificate of authority is considered current until the next scheduled renewal period for registered nurse licensure. However, when a certificate of authority is issued by the board on or after the first of April of an odd numbered year, that certificate of authority shall be current through the thirty-first of August of the next odd numbered year.
- (C) A certificate of authority is valid only if the holder meets all requirements of the board, including, but not limited to, maintaining certification by the applicable national certifying organization throughout the time period during which the certificate of authority is current.
- (D) A certificate of authority for a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist an advanced practice nurse shall be automatically suspended in accordance with section 4723.47 of the Revised Code when a license to practice as a registered nurse is inactive or lapsed. The certificate of authority shall remain suspended until the license to practice as a registered nurse is reactivated or reinstated.
- (E) If the <u>national</u> certification of a clinical nurse specialist who holds a certificate of authority pursuant to division (C) of section 4723.41 of the Revised Code is allowed to lapse or become inactive expires, the certificate of authority shall not be considered invalid provided only remain current and valid if the clinical nurse specialist completes the continuing nursing education required by division (B) of section 4723.42 of the Revised Code and rule 4723-8-10 of the Administrative Code.

(F) If a clinical nurse specialist fails to complete continuing nursing education in accordance with rule 4723-8-10 of the Administrative Code, the clinical nurse specialist shall be ineligible to renew the certificate of authority and may be required to show completion of up to twenty-four hours of continuing nursing education, within the twenty-four months immediately preceding renewal, which meets the requirements set forth in rule 4723-8-10 of the Administrative Code in order to renew the certificate of authority.

- (G)(F) When certification by a national certifying organization expires or is scheduled to expire prior to the expiration date of the certificate of authority, the nurse shall immediately provide to the board satisfactory documentation of continuing <u>national</u> certification or recertification.
- (H)(G) At the discretion of the board, a restriction placed on a license to practice as a registered nurse may affect the status of a certificate of authority.
- (1)(H) If a license to practice as a registered nurse is revoked under section 4723.28 or 4723.281 of the Revised Code, the nurse's certificate of authority shall be simultaneously revoked. If a license to practice as a registered nurse is suspended under section 4723.28 or 4723.281 of the Revised Code, the nurse's certificate of authority shall be simultaneously suspended.
- (J)(I) Each The holder of an inactive, lapsed, revoked, or suspended certificate of authority shall be returned to the board immediately by the holder of return the certificate to the board.
- (K)(J) A holder of a current valid certificate of authority who does not intend to practice as a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist in Ohio may request that the certificate of authority be placed on inactive status on the holder's certificate of authority:
  - (1) At anytime by doing both of the following:
    - (a) Submitting a written statement requesting inactive status that also includes identifying information; and
    - (b) Sending the holder's current certificate of authority to the board office; or
  - (2)(1) At time of renewal, time by checking the appropriate box on the certificate of authority renewal application that indicates the holder wishes to be placed on inactive status; or

While on inactive status a nurse shall not represent or imply to the public that

the nurse is authorized to practice as a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist or use the titles established by section 4723.03 of the Revised Code and rule 4723-8-03 of the Administrative Code.

- (2) At any other time, by submitting to the board a written statement requesting inactive status and the holder's current certificate of authority.
- (K) While on inactive status a nurse shall not represent or imply to the public that the nurse is authorized to practice as a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist or use the titles established by section 4723.03 of the Revised Code and rule 4723-8-03 of the Administrative Code.
- (L) An inactive or lapsed certificate of authority for a certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist an advanced practice nurse may be restored to an active certificate of authority reactivated or reinstated pursuant to a written request which shall be accompanied by:
  - (1) A completed certificate of authority renewal application on a form specified by the board, including documentation of continued applicable <u>national</u> certification status throughout the period during which the certificate of authority was inactive or lapsed. In the case of a certified registered nurse anesthetist, to <u>restore an inactive reactivate or reinstate a</u> certificate of authority, the nurse shall maintain initial <u>national</u> certification as a nurse anesthetist and provide proof that the nurse has met the criteria of the <u>national</u> certifying organization to become an active recertified member; and
  - (2) Payment of the <u>applicable</u> renewal fee <del>of one hundred dollars</del>.
- (M) An inactive or lapsed certificate of authority for a clinical nurse specialist who obtains an original certificate of authority prior to December 31, 2000 in accordance with division (C) of section 4723.41 of the Revised Code may be restored to an active certificate of authority reactivated or reinstated pursuant to a written request which shall be accompanied by:
  - (1) A completed certificate of authority renewal application on a form specified by the board, including documentation satisfactory to the board of completion of continuing nursing education hours in accordance with section 4723.24 of the Revised Code and paragraph (B) of rule 4723-8-10 of the Administrative Code; and

- (2) Payment of the applicable renewal fee of one hundred dollars.
- (N) A certificate of authority shall not be reproduced, duplicated, or imaged onto paper or any electronic media except in accordance with rule 4723-01-03 of the Administrative Code.

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