4723-8-10 Continuing education requirements.

- (A) Each certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, and certified registered nurse anesthetist advanced practice nurse who obtains continuing nursing education in their the nurse's area of practice for the purpose of obtaining or maintaining a national certification may use those continuing education hours to satisfy the continuing education requirements set forth in section 4723.24 of the Revised Code and Chapter 4723-14 of the Administrative Code. Such continuing nursing education shall be accrued in the twenty-four months immediately preceding the renewal of the license to practice nursing as a registered nurse.
- (B) Each clinical nurse specialist who is not certified by a national nursing certifying organization approved by the board shall obtain twelve contact hours of continuing nursing education in addition to the twenty-four hours per every two years required for renewal of a license to practice nursing as a registered nurse. The additional hours shall be in programs which are targeted to elinical nurse specialists at an advanced level practice nurses in the nurse's area of practice or in relevant programs from other health care disciplines, and shall be obtained as follows:
 - (1) A clinical nurse specialist who held an active certificate of authority in Ohio for a period of time that is less than or equal to one year shall complete six contact hours of continuing nursing education which meets the requirements of this rule; or
 - (2) A clinical nurse specialist who held an active certificate of authority in Ohio for more than one year shall complete twelve contact hours of continuing nursing education which meets the requirements of this rule.
- (C) To satisfy the requirements of this rule, a continuing education activity shall be approved in accordance with Chapter 4723-14 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) A clinical nurse specialist who is not certified by a national certifying organization may not request the The waiver option contained in rule 4723-14-03 of the Administrative Code shall not apply to satisfy the requirements of this rule for the additional twelve contact hours of continuing nursing education required in paragraph (B) of this rule.
- (E) Monitoring of compliance with the continuing nursing education requirement for each certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, and clinical nurse specialist advanced practice nurse shall be in accordance with Chapter 4723-14 of the Administrative Code.

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