## <u>4723-9-04</u> Externship experience.

- (A) In order to participate in an externship as defined in paragraph (G) of rule 4723-9-01 of the Administrative Code, a nurse shall:
  - (1) Meet the requirements set forth in section 4723.482 of the Revised Code; and
  - (2) Hold a current, valid externship certificate to prescribe issued by the board.
- (B) Applicants for a certificate to prescribe who meet the requirements set forth in division (C) of section 4723.482 of the Revised Code are not required to participate in an externship in order to obtain a certificate to prescribe.
- (C) Applicants for a certificate to prescribe who meet the requirements set forth in division (D) of section 4723.482 of the Revised Code must do the following to successfully complete an externship in order to obtain a certificate to prescribe:
  - (1) Complete a minimum of five hundred hours of prescribing practice during which the nurse's practice is directly supervised, as defined in paragraph (M)(1) of rule 4723-9-01 of the Administrative Code, by a supervising professional. When the supervising professional is a nurse, the nurse shall provide no more than two hundred of the five hundred hours of supervision; and
  - (2) Complete a two-hour course of instruction approved by the board in the laws of this state that govern drugs and prescriptive authority, as set forth in rule 4723-9-11 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) Applicants for a certificate to prescribe that do not meet the requirements set forth in either division (C) or (D) of section 4723.482 of the Revised Code, in order to successfully complete an externship to obtain a certificate to prescribe, must complete a minimum of one thousand five hundred hours during which the nurse's prescribing practices shall be supervised as follows:
  - (1) For a minimum of five hundred hours, direct supervision, as defined in paragraph (M) of rule 4723-9-01 of the Administrative Code, shall be provided by a supervising professional. When the supervising professional is a nurse, the nurse shall provided no more than two hundred of the five hundred hours of supervision; and
  - (2) For the remaining hours, indirect supervision, as defined in paragraph (M)(2) of rule 4723-9-01 of the administrative Code, shall be provided by a physician.
- (E) In all externships, the standard care arrangement entered into between the collaborating physician and the nurse shall specify the frequency of the review needed for appropriate oversight, and shall otherwise comply with the requirements of Chapter 4723-8 of the Administrative Code.

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