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**Standards and procedures for obtaining a certificate to prescribe.**

(A) To obtain a certificate to prescribe a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist, who meets the qualifications set forth in section 4723.482 of the Revised Code and this chapter shall:

(1) Submit a completed application on a form specified by the board which includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Evidence of having successfully completed the advanced pharmacology course of study as set forth in rule 4723-9-03 of the Administrative Code; or

(b) Evidence of having held authority to prescribe as an advanced practice nurse under section 4723.56 of the Revised Code on May 17, 2000;

(2) Submit evidence of holding both a current, valid license to practice nursing as as registered nurse and a current, valid certificate of authority issued under section 4723.41 of the Revised Code to practice as a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist;

(3) Submit evidence of either:

(a) Having completed the externship required by rule 4723-9-04 of the Administrative Code which includes a statement from a supervising physician attesting to the applicant's successful completion of the externship; or

(b) Having held authority to practice as an advanced practice nurse under section 4723.56 of the Revised Code on May 17, 2000; and

(4) Submit an application fee of fifty dollars.

If through no fault of the board, an applicant for a certificate to prescribe is not determined eligible for a certificate to prescribe 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 to prescribe is considered current until the next scheduled renewal period for registered nurse licensure. However, when a certificate to prescribe is issued by the board on or after the first of ~~March~~<sup>April</sup> of an odd

numbered year, that certificate to prescribe shall be current through the thirty-first of August of the next odd numbered year.

- (C) A certificate to prescribe shall be considered inactive or lapsed in accordance with section 4723.47 of the Revised Code when a license to practice as a registered nurse or a certificate of authority is inactive or expires due to failure to renew. The certificate to prescribe shall remain inactive or lapsed until the license to practice as a registered nurse and the certificate of authority are reactivated or reinstated.
- (D) A certificate to prescribe shall be automatically revoked in accordance with section 4723.47 of the Revised Code if the nurse's certificate of authority is revoked under section 4723.28 and 4723.281 of the Revised Code.
- (E) A certificate to prescribe shall be automatically suspended in accordance with section 4723.47 of the Revised Code if the nurse's certificate of authority is suspended under section 4723.28 or 4723.281 of the Revised Code.
- (F) In accordance with section 4723.47 of the Revised Code, if a restriction is placed on a nurse's certificate of authority under section 4723.28 of the Revised Code, the same restriction shall be automatically placed on the nurse's certificate to prescribe. The restriction shall remain on the certificate to prescribe as long as the certificate of authority remains restricted.
- (G) The holder of an inactive, lapsed, revoked, or suspended certificate to prescribe shall immediately return the certificate to the board.
- (H) A holder of a current valid certificate to prescribe who does not intend to prescribe drugs or therapeutic devices in Ohio may request that the certificate to prescribe be placed on inactive status:
  - (1) At time of renewal, by checking the appropriate box on the certificate to prescribe renewal application that indicates the holder wishes to be placed on inactive status; or
  - (2) At any other time, by submitting to the board a written statement requesting inactive status, and the holder's current certificate to prescribe.
- (I) While on inactive status, a nurse shall not represent or imply to the public that the nurse is authorized to prescribe drugs or therapeutic devices.
- (J) An inactive or lapsed certificate to prescribe may be reactivated or reinstated pursuant to a written request which shall be accompanied by:

- (1) A completed certificate to prescribe renewal application on a form specified by the board; and
  - (2) Payment of the renewal fee of fifty dollars.
- (K) If the certificate to prescribe has lapsed or been placed on inactive status for three years or longer, the nurse seeking to reinstate or reactivate the certificate shall first obtain an externship certificate to prescribe and shall meet all requirements of externship including completion of the pharmacology course in accordance with rule 4723-9-03 of the Administrative Code.

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