ACTION: Final

4723-9-07 **Certificate to prescribe renewal.**

- (A) To renew a certificate to prescribe, a certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist who meets the qualifications set forth in sections 4723.24 and 4723.485 of the Revised Code shall submit:
 - (1) A completed renewal application on the form required by the board, located at http://www.nursing.ohio.gov/forms.htm (revised March 2013);
 - (2) Documentation satisfactory to the board of having completed during the previous two years at least twelve hours of additional continuing education in advanced pharmacology, which includes instruction that is specific to controlled substances, or, if the certificate has been held for less than a full renewal period, at least six hours of approved continuing education in pharmacology, which includes instruction specific to controlled substances; and
 - (3) A renewal fee of fifty dollars and all other applicable fees required by section 4723.08 of the Revised Code.
- (B) A renewed certificate to prescribe shall be current until the next scheduled renewal period for registered nurse licensure.
- (C) The board shall provide to each holder of a current, valid certificate to prescribe, an application for renewal of a certificate to prescribe, except when the board is aware that an individual is ineligible for renewal for any reason, including those reasons specified in division (A) of section 4723.24 of the Revised Code. Failure of the holder to receive an application for renewal from the board does not excuse the holder from the requirements of Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code and this chapter.
- (D) 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 wants to place the certificate on inactive status; or
 - (2) At any other time, by submitting to the board a written statement requesting that the certificate to prescribe be placed on inactive status.
- (E) 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.

- (F) An inactive or lapsed certificate to prescribe may be reactivated or reinstated pursuant to a written request which shall be accompanied by:
 - A completed certificate to prescribe renewal application on the form required by the board, located at http://www.nursing.ohio.gov/forms.htm (revised March 2013); and
 - (2) Payment of the applicable fees set forth in section 4723.08 of the Revised Code.
- (G) 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. This requirement applies to all certificate holders, including those who originally obtained a certificate to prescribe according to division (C) or (D) of section 4723.482 of the Revised Code.
- (H) <u>A certificate holder who is a service member or veteran, as defined in rule 4723-2-01 of the Administrative Code, or who is the spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran, may be eligible for a waiver of the reinstatement fee according to rule 4723-2-03 of the Administrative Code. A certificate holder whose certificate lapsed, due to the holder's service in the armed forces of the United States, or in the national guard or in a reserve component, shall be eligible for renewal and reinstatement without payment of the reinstatement fee required by division (A)(18) of section 4723.08 of the Revised Code, if the following are met:</u>
 - (1) The certificate holder presents the board with satisfactory evidence that, not more than six months prior to the date the evidence is submitted to the board, the certificate holder was honorably discharged or separated under honorable conditions;
 - (2) The certificate holder is not suffering a mental or physical impairment that may affect the individual's ability to provide safe care; and
 - (3) The certificate holder meets the requirements for certificate renewal required by this rule.
- (I) A certificate holder whose certificate lapsed, due to the certificate holder's spouse's service in the armed forces of the United States, or in the national guard or in a reserve component, shall be eligible for renewal and reinstatement without payment of the reinstatement fee required by division (A)(18) of section 4723.08 of the Revised Code, if the following are met:

- (1) The certificate holder presents the board with satisfactory evidence that the certificate holder did not renew their certificate because their spouse's military service caused them to be absent from the state of Ohio;
- (2) The certificate holder presents the board satisfactory evidence that, not more than six months prior to the date the evidence is submitted to the board, the certificate holder's spouse was honorably discharged or separated under honorable conditions; and
- (3) The certificate holder meets the requirements for renewal required by this rule.

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