Recognized accrediting bodies.

(A) The board recognizes the joint commission as a national body that accredits HME services providers.

(B) The board, at its discretion, may recognize other national accrediting bodies if an agency submits a written request to the board for recognition. The board shall consider the following criteria in determining whether to recognize an agency:

1. The agency is recognized by CMS or other nationally recognized independent quality review organization;
2. The agency operates under the control of a multi-disciplinary governing body or board;
3. The agency operates within the continental United States;
4. The agency currently accredits and maintains accreditation of at least fifty HME, respiratory, or rehab organizations;
5. The agency has a measurable process with outcome standards for determining whether to accredit a HME services provider;
6. The agency performs on site evaluations of organizations using quantitative performance criteria;
7. The agency awards accreditation for a finite period of time;
8. The agency develops and publishes surveyor/site visitor qualifications and competencies;
9. The agency provides written reports of survey visits, observations, violations, citations, and requirements for improvement; and
10. The agency signs a cooperative agreement with the board, for mutual reporting of legal or accrediting violations.

(C) National accrediting bodies recognized by the board shall be posted to the board's website (www.pharmacy.ohio.gov).

(D) National accrediting bodies recognized by the former respiratory care board prior to January 21, 2018 shall be deemed recognized by the state board of pharmacy.

(E) If the board determines that the agency applying to be recognized does not meet the requirements of paragraph (B) of this rule, the board may deny recognition of the
agency. An agency denied by the Board may not resubmit a request for recognition for twenty-four months from the date of denial.
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