4751-1-02 **Definitions for this chapter.**

"Accredited educational institution" means an academic institution of higher learning that includes general education courses as requisite to the institution's principal educational programs and that has received institutional accreditation from at least one of the following organizations: middle states commission on higher education, new england association of schools and colleges, the higher learning commission of the north central association of colleges and schools, northwest commission on colleges and universities, southern association of colleges and schools commission on colleges, or senior college and university commission of the western association of schools and colleges.

"Administrator-in-training" ("AIT") means an individual registered as such with the board pursuant to rule 4751-1-09 of the Administrative Code.

"Administrator-in-training program" ("AIT program") means a program that the board established to assure that an applicant for licensure as a nursing home administrator meets the minimum requirements in professional education and experience.

"Approved program in nursing home administration" means a baccalaureate or higher degree program that is offered by an accredited educational institution that has been accredited by the national association of boards, and that has been accepted by the board as satisfying the general education, special academic preparation, and experience requirements for admission to examination.

"Board" means the board of executives of long-term services and supports that section 4751.03 of the Revised Code established.

"Candidate" means a person who the board determines meets the conditions for admission to examination.

"Certificate of registration" ("registration") means a <u>printed or electronic</u> document that the board issues to each administrator to certify the original registration, or annual renewal of registration, of an administrator's license as required in section 4751.07 of the Revised Code.

"Continuing education" means post-licensure education that is consistent with the practice of nursing home administration, as defined in this rule, that an administrator takes to maintain professional competency to practice nursing home administration, improve administrative skills, and effect standards of excellence for the practice of the profession in the interest of the safety, health, and well-being of the persons served.

"Core of knowledge in nursing home administration" means the subject areas outlined in rule 4751-1-06 of the Administrative Code.

"Course of study or program of instruction" means any educational activity in the subject areas of the core of knowledge in nursing home administration approved by the board to fulfill the requirements for pre-licensure education or for continuing education.

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"Full time" means at least thirty-five hours per week as an administrator practicing nursing home administration in a nursing home or as an intern in an internship with an administrator in a nursing home.

"General education" means an academic course of study that results in the awarding of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited educational institution.

"Health care administration" means that specialty of health administration requiring knowledge and skills specific to the administration of a health care facility, with emphasis on administration of skilled nursing or extended care facilities.

"Health care facility" means a facility operating within the framework of the appropriate regulatory agencies that provides residence accommodations and personal care, supervision, or assistance to persons who are dependent, in whole or part, upon such services.

"Health services executive" means an individual who has successfully completed a board-approved core examination covering common competencies across service lines, including skilled nursing, assisted living, and home and community-based services.

"Internship site" means a nursing home that is licensed under Chapter 3721. of the Revised Code or a nursing home that is operated by a governmental agency and certified under Title XVIII or XIX of the Social Security Act that is approved by the board for the practical training and experience of an administrator-in-training.

"License" means the board-issued document that indicates that the licensee has met the requirements for licensure under Chapter 4751. of the Revised Code and this chapter.

"NAB" means "the national association of long term care administrator boards."

"Nursing home" means a nursing home as defined by or under the authority of divisions (A), (C) and (D) of section 3721.01 of the Revised Code, or a nursing home operated by a governmental agency.

"Nursing home administrator" ("administrator") has the same meaning as in section 4751.01 of the Revised Code.

"Operator" has the same meaning as in rule 3701-17-01 of the Administrative Code.

"Person served" means an individual who receives the care and services of a skilled nursing or extended care facility.

"Practice of nursing home administration" means exercising management responsibility of a nursing home including the following practices: planning, organizing, and directing the overall operation of a nursing home; making operating decisions, providing leadership and general supervision, employing and discharging staff; instituting and

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maintaining methods of administrative management that demonstrate attempts in good faith to assure that the nursing home is in conformity with federal, state, and local laws, codes, and regulations pertaining to the operation of said facility and to the rights, health, safety, and well-being of the persons served; and the administrator practices these duties in a manner that complies with this rule's definition for "supervision of a nursing home."

"Qualifying administrative experience" is a residency or internship that is required for an academic degree in nursing home administration in all the subject areas of the core of knowledge or all the subject areas of rule 4751-1-06 of the Administrative Code or actual work experience in the subject areas of rule 4751-1-06 of the Administrative Code.

"Service provider" means the entity providing a service to the person served whether a skilled nursing facility, home health care agency, hospice agency, etc.

"Supervision of a nursing home," as required by division (A) of section 4751.02 of the Revised Code, means the effective management of a nursing home and assurance that residents' needs are met, which, according to rule 3701-17-08 of the Administrative Code, means that a nursing home administrator is present in the nursing home no fewer than sixteen hours per calendar week; that the administrator spends most of the time between six a.m. and six p.m. during normal workweeks of Monday through Friday managing the nursing home; and that the administrator's management complies with this rule's definitions of "nursing home administrator" and "practice of nursing home administration."

"Support network" means anyone identified by the person served as a social, financial, and/or emotional support. "Support network" may include friends, family, neighbors, church members, or home health care providers.

"Temporary license" means a license for a period of time not to exceed one hundred eighty days that the board may issue pursuant to division (B) of section 4751.06 of the Revised Code.

"Training agency for continuing education" means an accredited college or university; a statewide or national agency, association or professional society related to the field of nursing home administration or a corporation or other legal entity that is approved by the board to provide courses of study or programs of instruction required for the annual renewal of the certificate of registration.

"Valid license" means a license that is current, as effected by the annual renewal of the certificate of registration, and that is in good standing.

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