

**152.6 Licenses — professional abbreviations.**

The board may license a natural person to practice as a registered nurse, as a licensed practical nurse, or as an advanced registered nurse practitioner. However, only a person currently licensed as a registered nurse in this state may use that title and the letters “R.N.” after the person’s name; only a person currently licensed as a licensed practical nurse in this state may use that title and the letters “L.P.N.” after the person’s name; and only a person currently licensed as an advanced registered nurse practitioner may use that title and the letters “A.R.N.P.” after the person’s name. For purposes of [this section](#), “*currently licensed*” includes persons licensed in another state and recognized for licensure in this state pursuant to the nurse licensure compact contained in [section 152E.1](#) or pursuant to the advanced practice registered nurse compact contained in [section 152E.3](#).

[C50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, §152.5; C77, 79, 81, §152.6]

[2000 Acts, ch 1008, §4](#); [2005 Acts, ch 53, §4](#); [2014 Acts, ch 1019, §2](#); [2015 Acts, ch 56, §12](#)