

653—9.12(147,148,150,150A) Inactive status and reinstatement of a permanent license.

9.12(1) *Definition of inactive status.* An inactive license is any license that is not a current, active license.

- a.* “Inactive status” may include licenses formerly known as delinquent, lapsed, or retired.
- b.* A physician with an inactive license may not practice medicine until the license is reinstated to current, active status.
- c.* A physician whose license is inactive continues to hold the privilege of licensure in Iowa but may not practice medicine under an Iowa license until the license is reinstated to current, active status. A licensee who practices under an Iowa license when the license is inactive may be subject to disciplinary action by the board, injunctive action pursuant to Iowa Code section 147.83, criminal sanctions pursuant to Iowa Code section 147.86, or other available legal remedies.

9.12(2) *Mechanisms for becoming inactive.* A licensee seeking to become inactive may do so by submitting a written request to the board office or by failing to renew a license by the first day of the third month after the expiration date. For example, a licensee whose license expires on January 1 will be considered inactive if the license is not renewed by March 1.

9.12(3) *Fee.* There is no fee to become inactive.