

655—3.7(17A,147,152,272C) License cycle.

3.7(1) Name and address changes. Written notification to the board of name and address changes is required within 30 days of the event. Licensure documents are mailed to the licensee at the address on file in the board office. There is no fee for a change of name or address in board records.

3.7(2) New licenses. The board shall issue licenses by endorsement and examination for a 24- to 36-month period. When the license is renewed, it will be placed on a three-year renewal cycle. Expiration shall be on the fifteenth day of the licensee's birth month.

3.7(3) Renewal. The licensee may renew the license beginning 60 days prior to license expiration.

a. The licensee shall:

(1) Attest that Iowa is the primary state of residence or that the primary state of residence is a noncompact state. The board may request evidence of residency.

(2) Submit the renewal application and the renewal fee as specified in rule 655—3.1(17A,147,152, 272C).

(3) Meet the continuing education requirement as set forth in 655—Chapter 5, prior to license renewal.

(4) Complete the required mandatory reporter training set forth in paragraph 3.7(3)“*b.*”

b. Mandatory reporter training.

(1) The course shall be a curriculum approved by the Iowa department of public health.

(2) A licensee who regularly examines, attends, counsels or treats children in Iowa shall indicate on the renewal application completion of two hours of training in child abuse identification and reporting in the previous five years or condition(s) for rule suspension as identified in subparagraph 3.7(3)“*b*”(6).

(3) A licensee who regularly examines, attends, counsels or treats adults in Iowa shall indicate on the renewal application completion of two hours of training in dependent adult abuse identification and reporting in the previous five years or condition(s) for rule suspension as identified in subparagraph 3.7(3)“*b*”(6).

(4) A licensee who regularly examines, attends, counsels or treats both adults and children in Iowa shall indicate on the renewal application completion of training on abuse identification and reporting in dependent adults and children or condition(s) for rule suspension as identified in subparagraph 3.7(3)“*b*”(6). Training may be completed through separate courses as identified in subparagraphs 3.7(3)“*b*”(2) and (3) or in one combined two-hour course that includes curricula for identifying and reporting child abuse and dependent adult abuse.

(5) The licensee shall maintain written documentation for five years after mandatory training as identified in subparagraphs 3.7(3)“*b*”(2) to (4), including program date(s), content, duration, and proof of participation.

(6) The requirement for mandatory training for identifying and reporting child and dependent adult abuse shall be suspended if the board determines that suspension is in the public interest or that a person at the time of license renewal:

1. Is engaged in active duty in the military service of this state or the United States.

2. Holds a current exemption based on evidence of significant hardship in complying with training requirements, including an exemption of continuing education requirements or extension of time in which to fulfill requirements due to a physical or mental disability or illness as identified in 655—Chapter 5.

(7) The board may select licensees for audit of compliance with the requirements in subparagraphs 3.7(3)“*b*”(1) to (6).

3.7(4) Late renewal. The license shall become late when the license has not been renewed by the expiration date. The licensee shall be assessed a late fee as specified in rule 655—3.1(17A,147,152,272C).

To renew a late license, the licensee shall complete the renewal requirements and submit the late fee before the fifteenth day of the month following the expiration date.

3.7(5) Inactive status. The license shall become inactive when the license has not been renewed by the fifteenth day of the month following the expiration date or the board office has been notified by

another compact state that a licensee has declared a new primary state. The former home state license shall no longer be valid upon the issuance of a new home state license.

a. If the inactive license is not reactivated, it shall remain inactive.

b. If the licensee resides in Iowa or a noncompact state, the licensee shall not practice nursing in Iowa until the license is reactivated to active status. If the licensee is identified as practicing nursing with an inactive license, disciplinary proceedings may be initiated.

c. The licensee is not required to obtain continuing education credit or pay fees while the license is inactive.

d. To reactivate the license, the licensee shall complete the reactivation requirements.

(1) The licensee shall be provided an application, a continuing education report form, two fingerprint cards, a waiver form, and statement of the fees. The reactivation fee and criminal history background check fee are specified in the definition of “fees” in rule 655—3.1(17A,147,152,272C).

(2) The licensee shall have obtained 36 contact hours of continuing education, as specified in 655—Chapter 5, within the 36 months prior to reactivation.

(3) A licensee who has not held an active license in any jurisdiction for the previous five years shall be required to complete a nurse refresher course in accordance with rule 655—3.10(152) within the 12 months prior to reactivation.

(4) Upon receipt of the completed reactivation application, required continuing education materials, certificate of completion of a nurse refresher course (if applicable), two completed fingerprint cards and a signed waiver form to facilitate a national criminal history background check, fees for both the reactivation and the criminal history background check and verification that the primary state of residence is Iowa or a noncompact state, the licensee shall be issued a license for a 24- to 36-month period. At the time of the next renewal, the license will be placed on a three-year renewal cycle. Expiration shall be on the fifteenth day of the licensee’s birth month. The board staff may issue a certificate of license prior to receipt of a report on the applicant from the DCI/FBI.

(5) An applicant who fails to complete the reactivation of licensure process within 12 months from the date of initial application must reapply. All fees are nonrefundable.

3.7(6) Duplicate wallet card or certificate. The licensee shall be issued a duplicate wallet card or certificate upon receipt of an application for a duplicate wallet card or certificate and receipt of the fee as specified in rule 655—3.1(17A,147,152,272C). If the licensee notifies the board that the wallet card or certificate has not been received within 60 days after being issued, no fee shall be required. A fee is applicable when the licensee fails to notify the board of a name or address change.

3.7(7) Reissue of a certificate or wallet card. The board shall reissue a certificate or current wallet card upon receipt of a written request from the licensee, return of the original document and payment of the fee as specified in rule 655—3.1(17A,147,152,272C). No fee shall be required if an error was made by the board on the original document.

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