

481—740.9(147) License renewal.

740.9(1) The biennial license renewal period for a license to practice speech pathology or audiology will begin on January 1 of an even-numbered year and end on December 31 of the next odd-numbered year. The licensee is responsible for renewing the license prior to its expiration.

740.9(2) An individual who was issued an initial license within six months of the license renewal date will not be required to renew the license until the subsequent renewal date two years later.

740.9(3) A licensee seeking renewal will:

a. Meet the continuing education requirements of rule 481—742.2(147) and the mandatory reporting requirements of subrule 740.9(4). A licensee whose license was reactivated during the current renewal compliance period may use continuing education credit earned during the compliance period for the first renewal following reactivation; and

b. Submit the completed renewal application and renewal fee before the license expiration date.

740.9(4) Mandatory reporter training requirements.

a. A licensee who examines, attends, counsels, or treats children, dependent adults, or both in the scope of a licensee's professional practice will complete the applicable department of health and human services' training relating to the identification and reporting of child abuse, dependent adult abuse, or both. Written documentation of training completion should be maintained for three years. The training is not required if the licensee is engaged in active duty military service or holds a waiver demonstrating a hardship in complying with these training requirements.

b. The board may select licensees for audit of compliance with the requirements in paragraphs 740.10(4) "a" and "b."

740.9(5) A two-year license will be issued after the requirements of the rule are met. If the board receives adverse information on the renewal application, the board will issue the renewal license but may refer the adverse information for further consideration or disciplinary investigation.

740.9(6) The license certificate and proof of active licensure will be displayed in a conspicuous public place at the primary site of practice.

740.9(7) Late renewal. The license will become late when the license has not been renewed by the expiration date on the renewal. The licensee will be assessed a late fee as specified in 481—subrule 507.20(3). To renew a late license, the licensee will complete the renewal requirements and submit the late fee within the grace period.

740.9(8) Inactive license. A licensee who fails to renew the license by the end of the grace period has an inactive license. A licensee whose license is inactive continues to hold the privilege of licensure in Iowa, but may not practice until the license is reactivated.

740.9(9) Compact eligibility review. This rule applies to licensees who were licensed prior to enactment of this rule. In order to complete the compact eligibility review, at or prior to a licensee's next renewal, the licensee must submit required waivers and fingerprints pursuant to the board-approved process to facilitate a national criminal history background check. The cost for the evaluation of the fingerprint packet and the DCI and the FBI criminal history background checks will be assessed to the applicant. The board may withhold issuing a license pending receipt of a report from the DCI and the FBI.

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