

**481—70.5 (231D) Initial certification process for a nonaccredited program.**

**70.5(1)** Upon receipt of all completed documentation, including state fire marshal approval and structural and evacuation review approval, the department shall determine whether the proposed program meets applicable requirements.

**70.5(2)** If, based upon the review of the complete application, including all required supporting documents, the department determines the proposed program meets the requirements for certification, a provisional certification shall be issued to the program to begin operation and accept participants.

**70.5(3)** Within 180 calendar days following issuance of provisional certification, the department shall conduct a monitoring to determine the program's compliance with applicable requirements.

**70.5(4)** If a regulatory insufficiency is identified as a result of the monitoring, the process in rule 481—67.10(17A,231B,231C,231D) shall be followed.

**70.5(5)** The department shall make a final certification decision based on the results of the monitoring and review of an acceptable plan of correction.

**70.5(6)** The department shall notify the program of a final certification decision within 10 working days following the finalization of the monitoring report or receipt of an acceptable plan of correction, whichever is applicable.

**70.5(7)** If the decision is to continue certification, the department shall issue a full two-year certification effective from the date of the original provisional certification.

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