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Memorandum

To: Oregon APRNs

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Re: **Interstate or Cross Jurisdictional Practice of Nursing**

Health care licensing boards in individual states make decisions about their unique licensing requirements and scope of practice restrictions for nursing in order to provide public protection for their citizens. [Oregon Regulatory Statute 678.021](#), requires those who provide nursing care to Oregonians to be licensed by the Oregon State Board of Nursing. All other states have comparable requirements for nurses providing care to clients in those states. The intent of these requirements is to prevent nurses not licensed in a state from practicing on a patient located in that state. *Employers may be held liable to civil penalty for compelling an employee to violate state requirements regarding licensure.* Where the patient begins care is not the legal parameter, **it is where the patient is located that determines who has jurisdiction over the practice of nursing.**

To provide nursing care including case management and telehealth visits to clients across our state borders, the Oregon-licensed nurse would need to hold additional RN or APRN licenses (as appropriate) that cover practice for all states where those clients are located.

A limited number of exceptions to this requirement are found in Oregon law, such as for nurses on a disaster team, nurses on a transport team, school nurses here with student groups, and nurses hired to fill an appropriately documented shortage in limited types of units in hospitals and nursing facilities.

Civil penalties can be levied to nurses who practice on citizens of our state without a license. Further discipline may occur to include forfeiture of their nursing license. Discipline actions are shared with other states via the [NURSYS](#) database and the [National Practitioner Data Bank](#) (NPDB) and may impact their future nursing practice.

Additional Resources on this issue:

Oregon [DOJ opinion on Interstate Practice of Nursing](#)- Issued 2014

For any questions or concerns please call 971-413-0162 or email sarah.wickenhagen@osbn.oregon.gov

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APRN Cross Walk

| State | License Types | Geographic Boundary /Compact State | Practice Authority | RN Fees Initial/Renewal | APRN Fees Initial/Renewal | CE Requirement vs Practice Hours RN/APRN |
|------------|---|--|--------------------|---|--|---|
| Oregon | CNS, NP, CRNA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> APRN is not a license type RN is required CNMs are considered NPs in Oregon | Oregon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to a \$5000 fine or civil penalty for practicing without a license Reported to NURSYS database | Full Practice | \$195/145 Every other year on/before your birthdate | \$150/105 +75 prescriptive authority (1 time fee) | 0/0 CE with national certification For NPs licensed prior to January 2011, national certification is not required for renewal. Instead, a minimum of 45 hours of continuing education in the population foci is required 400 practice hours/2 years NEW* Every renewal 2-hour cultural competence continuing education One-time requirement 7 hours on pain management 1 hour must be the Oregon Pain Management Commission module |
| Washington | CNS, CNP, CRNA, CNM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ARNP is a license type RN is required | Washington <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fine or civil penalty for practicing without a license Reported to NURSYS database | Full Practice | \$125 +5 on 12/1/22 + \$50 fingerprints Annually | \$125+5 on 12/1/22 Every 2 years | 8/30 CE +15 hours in APRN pharmacology *One time 6 hr. requirement for suicide training 192 hrs. of active practice/2 years |
| Idaho | CNS, CNP, CRNA, CNM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> APRN is a license type RN is required | Idaho *RN Compact License <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fine or civil penalty for practicing without a license Reported to NURSYS database | Full Practice | \$138/90 August 31st Odd Years | \$118/90 | 15/30 CE +10 hours in APRN pharmacology 200 practice hours/2 years |
| California | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nurse Anesthetist (NA) Nurse-Midwife/Furnishing (NMW/NMF) Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Nurse Practitioner/Furnishing (NP/NPF) | California <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fine or civil penalty for practicing without a license Reported to NURSYS database | Restricted | \$300/190 2 Birthdays, expires last day of the month of licensee's birth | \$500 \$500 \$500 \$500 • No Fee for PMHNP Renewal \$150 \$+22 Furnishing = Prescriptive Authority | 30/30 CE No practice requirement |
| Montana | CNS, CNP, CRNA, CNM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> APRN is a license type RN is required | Montana *RN Compact License <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fine or civil penalty for practicing without a license Reported to NURSYS database | Full Practice | \$200/100 Dec 31 st Every other year | \$50 \$75 Additional certifications \$100 Prescriptive Authority | 24/24 CE +12 in APRN pharmacology No practice requirement Last Updated 10.24.22S. Wickenhagen |