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A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register)

1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE
   Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE
   August 5, 2016

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   Notice re Proposed

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   Dean Fairbanks

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B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations)

1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S)
   Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S)
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2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) AND SECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxic related)

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3. TYPE OF FILING
   ☑ Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn nonemergency filing (Gov. Code §11346.1(d))
   ☐ Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Code §11346)

4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/or MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, § 44 and Gov. Code § 11342.1)
   11/21/16-12/6/16 (First); 5/22/17-6/6/17 (Second); 3/26/18-4/10/18 (Third); 5/15/18-5/30/18 (Fourth); 10/1/18-10/15/18 (Fifth)

5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11346.1(h), 11346.1(d), Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §§ 44, and Gov. Code § 11342.1)
   ☑ Effective on filing with Secretary of State
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6. CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY
   ☑ Department of Finance (Form STD. 350) (SAM §6660)
   ☐ Other (Specify)

7. CONTACT PERSON
   Dean Fairbanks
   916-574-7684

8. SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE
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In accordance with Government Code Section 11346, the following regulations have been submitted for publication in the California Administrative Register:

- Adopt:
  1483.1, 1483.2, and 1486

- Amend:
  1480, 1481, 1482, 1483, and 1484

- Repeal:

The regulations were effective on filing with the Secretary of State.

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I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification.

Signature:
Stacie Berumen, Assistant Executive Officer

Date: 12/16/2018
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING

ORDER OF ADOPTION

Amend Sections 1480, 1481, 1482, 1483, and 1484, and adopt Sections 1483.1, 1483.2 and 1486 of Division 14 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

1480. Definitions.
(a) "Nurse practitioner" means an advanced practice registered nurse who meets board education and certification requirements and possesses additional advanced practice educational preparation and skills in physical diagnosis, psycho-social assessment, and management of health-illness needs in primary health care, and/or acute care, who has been prepared in a program conforming to board standards as specified in Section 1484.
(b) "Primary health care" is that care which occurs when a consumer makes contact with a health care provider who assumes responsibility and accountability for the continuity of health care regardless of the presence or absence of disease. "Primary care" means comprehensive and continuous care provided to patients, families, and the community. Primary care focuses on basic preventative care, health promotion, disease prevention, health maintenance, patient education and the diagnoses and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses in a variety of practice settings.
(c) "Clinically competent" means that the individual possesses and exercises the degree of learning, skill, care and experience ordinarily possessed and exercised by a member of the appropriate discipline in clinical practice-certified nurse practitioner providing healthcare in the same nurse practitioner category. The clinical experience must be such that the nurse received intensive experience in performing the diagnostic and treatment procedures essential to the provision of primary care.
(d) "Holding oneself out" means to use the title of nurse practitioner. "Acute care" means restorative care provided by the nurse practitioner to patients with rapidly changing, unstable, chronic, complex acute and critical conditions in a variety of clinical practice settings.
(e) "Category" means the population focused area of practice in which the certified nurse practitioner provides patient care.
(f) "Advanced health assessment" means the knowledge of advanced processes of collecting and interpreting information regarding a patient’s health care status. Advanced health assessment provides the basis for differential diagnoses and treatment plans.
(g) "Advanced pathophysiology" means the advanced knowledge and management of physiological disruptions that accompany a wide range of alterations in health.
(h) "Advanced pharmacology" means the integration of the advanced knowledge of pharmacology, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacodynamics content across the lifespan and prepares the certified nurse practitioner to initiate appropriate pharmacotherapeutics safely and effectively in the management of acute and chronic health conditions.
(i) "Nurse practitioner curriculum" means a curriculum that consists of the graduate core; advanced practice registered nursing core, and nurse practitioner role and population-focused courses.
(j) "Graduate core" means the foundational curriculum content deemed essential for all students pursuing a graduate degree in nursing.
(k) "Advanced practice registered nursing core" means the essential broad-based curriculum required for all nurse practitioner students in the areas of advanced health assessment, advanced pathophysiology, and advanced pharmacology.
(l) “California based nurse practitioner education program” means a board approved academic program, physically located in California that offers a graduate degree in nursing or graduate level certificate in nursing to qualified students and is accredited by a nursing organization recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council of Higher Education Accreditation.

(m) “Clinical practice experience” means supervised direct patient care in the clinical setting that provides for the acquisition and application of advanced practice nursing knowledge, skills, and competencies.

(n) “Direct supervision of students” means a clinical preceptor or a faculty member is physically present at the practice site. The clinical preceptor or faculty member retains the responsibility for patient care while overseeing the student.

(o) “Lead nurse practitioner faculty educator” means the nurse practitioner faculty member of the nurse practitioner education program who has administrative responsibility for developing and implementing the curriculum in the nurse practitioner category.

(p) “Major curriculum change” means a substantive change in a nurse practitioner education program curriculum, structure, content, method of delivery, or clinical hours.

(q) “National Certification” means the certified nurse practitioner has passed an examination provided by a national certification organization accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies or the American Board of Nursing Specialties, as approved by the board.

(r) “Nurse practitioner education program director” means the individual responsible for administration, implementation, and evaluation of the nurse practitioner education program and the achievement of the program outcomes in collaboration with program faculty.

(s) “Non-California based nurse practitioner education programs” means an academic program accredited by a nursing organization recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council of Higher Education Accreditation that offers a graduate degree in nursing or graduate level certificate in nursing to qualified students and does not have a physical location in California. Preparation at the graduate level must be comprehensive and focus on the clinical practice of providing direct care to individuals.

(t) “Clinical field related to nursing” means a specialized field of clinical practice in one of the following categories of nurse practitioners as recognized by the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF), which are: Family/Individual across the lifespan; Adult-gerontology, primary care or acute care; Neonatal; Pediatrics, primary care; Pediatrics, acute care; Women’s health/gender-related; and Psychiatric-Mental Health across the lifespan.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2715, 2725 and 2836, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2725.5, 2834, 2835.5 and 2836.1, Business and Professions Code.

1481. Categories of Nurse Practitioners.
A registered nurse who has met the requirements of Section 1482 for holding out as a nurse practitioner, may be known as a nurse practitioner and may place the letters “R.N., N.P.” after his/her name alone or in combination with other letters or words identifying categories of specialization, including but not limited to the following: adult nurse practitioner, pediatric nurse practitioner, obstetrical-gynecological nurse practitioner, and family nurse practitioner.

(a) Categories of nurse practitioners include:
(1) Family/individual across the lifespan;
(2) Adult-gerontology, primary care or acute care;
(3) Neonatal;
(4) Pediatrics, primary care or acute care;
(5) Women's health/gender-related;
(6) Psychiatric-Mental Health across the lifespan.

(b) A registered nurse who has been certified by the board as a nurse practitioner may use the title, “advanced practice registered nurse” and/or “certified nurse practitioner” and may place the letters APRN-CNP after his or her name or in combination with other letters or words that identify the category.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2715 and 2836, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2834, 2835.5, 2836, 2836.1 and 2837, Business and Professions Code.

1482. Requirements for Holding-Out As a Certification as a Nurse Practitioner.

The requirements for holding oneself out as a nurse practitioner are:

(a) To obtain certification as a Nurse Practitioner, an applicant must hold a valid and active license as a registered nurse in California and possess a master’s degree in nursing, a master’s degree in a clinical field related to nursing, or a graduate degree in nursing and one of the following:

(a) Active licensure as a registered nurse in California; and

(b) One of the following:

(1) Successful completion of a nurse practitioner education program approved by the Board; of study which conforms to board standards; or

(2) National Certification as a nurse practitioner by a national or state organization whose standards are equivalent to those set forth in Section 1484; or in one or more categories listed in Section 1481(a) from a national certification organization accredited by the National Commission on Certifying Agencies or the American Board of Nursing Specialties.

(b) A nurse who has not completed an academically affiliated nurse practitioner education program of study which meets board standards as specified in Section 1484, shall be able to provide evidence of having completed equivalent education and supervised clinical practice, as set forth in this article.

(A) Documentation of remediation of areas of deficiency in course content and/or clinical experience; and

(B) Verification by a nurse practitioner and by a physician who meet the requirements for faculty members specified in Section 1484(e), of clinical competence in the delivery of primary health care.

(c) Graduates who have completed a nurse practitioner education program in a foreign country shall meet the requirements as set forth in this article. The applicant shall submit the required credential evaluation through a board-approved evaluation service evidencing education equivalent to a master’s or doctoral degree in Nursing.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2715, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2835, and 2835.5 and 2836, Business and Professions Code.


(a) An application for evaluation of a registered nurse's qualifications to hold-out to be certified as a nurse practitioner shall be filed with the board by submitting the Application for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certification (Rev. 03/2018), which is hereby incorporated by reference. A temporary Nurse Practitioner (NP) certificate shall be obtained by submitting the Application for Temporary Nurse
Practitioner (NP) Certificate (Rev. 03/2018), which is hereby incorporated by reference. In order to furnish drugs or devices in California as a Nurse Practitioner, the certified nurse practitioner must be issued a Nurse Practitioner Furnishing Number by submitting the Nurse Practitioner Furnishing Number Application (Rev. 03/2018), which is hereby incorporated by reference, for approval, on a form prescribed by the board and Submission of each application shall be accompanied by the fee prescribed in Section 1417 and such evidence, statements or documents as therein required by the board, to conform with Sections 1482 and 1484.

(b) The Application for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certification, the Application for Temporary Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certificate and the Nurse Practitioner Furnishing Number Application shall include submission of the name of the graduate nurse practitioner education program or post-graduate nurse practitioner education program.

(c) The Application for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certification shall include submission of an official sealed transcript with the date of graduation or post-graduate program completion, nurse practitioner category, credential conferred, and the specific courses taken to provide sufficient evidence the applicant has completed the required course work including the required number of supervised direct patient care clinical practice hours.

(d) A graduate from a board-approved nurse practitioner education program shall be considered a graduate of a nationally accredited program if the program held national nursing accreditation at the time the graduate completed the program. The program graduate is eligible to apply for nurse practitioner certification with the board regardless of the program’s national nursing accreditation status at the time of submission of the application to the Board.

(e) The board shall notify the applicant in writing that the application is complete and accepted for filing or that the application is deficient and what specific information is required within 30 days from the receipt of an application. A decision on the evaluation of credentials shall be reached within 60 days from the filing of a completed application. The median, minimum, and maximum times for processing an application, from the receipt of the initial application to the final decision, shall be 42 days, 14 days, and one year, respectively, taking into account Section 1410.4(e) which provides for abandonment of incomplete applications after one year.


1483.1. Requirements for Nurse Practitioner Education Programs in California.

(a) The California based nurse practitioner education program shall:

1. Provide evidence to the board that the nurse practitioner program is in an accredited academic institution located in California.
2. Be an academic program accredited by a nursing organization recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council of Higher Education Accreditation that offers a graduate degree in Nursing or graduate level certificate in Nursing to qualified students.
3. Provide the board with evidence of ongoing continuing nurse practitioner education program accreditation within 30 days of the program receiving this information from the national nursing accreditation body.
4. Notify the board of changes in the program’s institutional and national nursing accreditation status within 30 days.
(b) The board shall grant the nurse practitioner education program initial and continuing approval when the board receives the required accreditation evidence from the program.
(c) The board may change the approval status for a board-approved nurse practitioner education program at any time, if the board determines the program has not provided necessary compliance evidence to meet board regulations notwithstanding institutional and national nursing accreditation status and review schedules.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2715, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2785, 2786, 2786.5, 2786.6, 2788, 2798, 2815 and 2835.5, Business and Professions Code.

1483.2. Requirements for Reporting Nurse Practitioner Education Program Changes.
(a) A board-approved nurse practitioner education program shall notify the board within thirty (30) days of any of the following changes:
   (1) A change of legal name or mailing address prior to making such changes. The program shall file its legal name and current mailing address with the board at its principal office and the notice shall provide both the old and the new name and address as applicable.
   (2) A fiscal condition that adversely affects students enrolled in the nursing program.
   (3) Substantive changes in the organizational structure affecting the nursing program.
(b) An approved nursing program shall not make a substantive change without prior board notification. Substantive changes include, but are not limited to the following:
   (1) Change in location;
   (2) Change in ownership;
   (3) Addition of a new campus or location;
   (4) Major curriculum change.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2715, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2785, 2786, 2786.5, 2786.6, 2788, 2798, 2715 and 2835.5, Business and Professions Code.

1484. Standards of Nurse Practitioner Education.

(a) The program of study preparing a nurse practitioner shall meet the following criteria:
   (1) be approved by the board and be consistent with the nurse practitioner curriculum core competencies as specified by the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties in “Nurse Practitioner Core Competencies Content” (2017), which is hereby incorporated by reference.
(b) Purpose, Philosophy and Objectives
   (1) have as its primary purpose the preparation of registered nurses who can provide primary health care; The purpose of the nurse practitioner education program shall be to prepare a graduate nurse practitioner to provide competent primary care and/or acute care services in one or more of the categories.
   (2) have a clearly defined philosophy available in written form; Written program materials shall reflect the mission, philosophy, purposes, and outcomes of the program and be available to students.
   (3) have objectives which reflect the philosophy, stated in behavioral terms, describing the theoretical knowledge and clinical competencies of the graduate. Learning outcomes for the nurse practitioner education program shall be measurable and reflect assessment and evaluation of the theoretical knowledge and clinical competencies required of the graduate.
(b) Administration and organization of the nurse practitioner education program shall:
(1) Be conducted in conjunction with one of the following:
(A) An institution of higher education that offers a baccalaureate or higher degree in nursing, medicine, or public health. Be taught in a college or university accredited by a nursing organization that is recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council of Higher Education Accreditation that offers a graduate degree to qualified students.
(B) A general acute-care hospital licensed pursuant to Chapter 2 (Section 1250) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code, which has an organized outpatient department. Prepare graduates for national certification as a certified nurse practitioner in one or more nurse practitioner category by the National Commission on Certifying Agencies or the American Board of Nursing Specialties.
(C) Have admission requirements and policies for withdrawal, dismissal and readmission that are clearly stated and available to the student in written form.
(D) Have written policies for clearly informing applicants of the academic accreditation and board approval status of the program.
(E) Provide the graduate with official evidence indicating that he/she has demonstrated clinical competence in delivering primary health care and has achieved all other objectives of the program. Document the nurse practitioner role and the category of educational preparation on the program's official transcript.
(F) Maintain systematic, retrievable records of the program including philosophy, objectives, administration, faculty, curriculum, students and graduates. In case of program discontinuance, the board shall be notified of the method provided for record retrieval. Maintain a method for retrieval of records in the event of program closure.
(G) Provide for program evaluation by faculty and students during and following the program and make results available for public review. Have and implement a written total program evaluation plan.
(H) Have sufficient resources to achieve the program outcomes.
(I) Faculty. There shall be an adequate number of qualified faculty to develop and implement the program and to achieve the stated objectives:
(1) There shall be an adequate number of qualified faculty to develop and implement the program and to achieve the stated outcomes.
(2) Each faculty person member shall demonstrate current competence in the area in which he/ or she teaches.
(3) There shall be a lead nurse practitioner faculty educator who meets the faculty qualifications.
(4) Faculty who teach in the nurse practitioner education program shall be educationally qualified and clinically competent in the same category as the theory and clinical areas taught. Faculty shall meet the following requirements:
(A) Hold an active, valid California registered nurse license;
(B) Have a Master's degree or higher degree in nursing;
(C) Have at least two years of clinical experience as a nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, or certified registered nurse anesthetist within the last five (5) years of practice and consistent with the teaching responsibilities.
(5) Faculty teaching in clinical courses shall be current in clinical practice.
(6) Each faculty member shall assume responsibility and accountability for instruction, planning, and implementation of the curriculum, and evaluation of students and the program.
(7) Interdisciplinary faculty who teach non-clinical nurse practitioner nursing courses, such as but not limited to, pharmacology, pathophysiology, and physical assessment, shall have a valid and active California license issued by the appropriate licensing agency and an advanced graduate degree in the appropriate content areas.
(e) Director.
(1) The nurse practitioner education program director shall be responsible and accountable for the nurse practitioner education program within an accredited academic institution including the areas of education program, curriculum design, and resource acquisition, and shall meet the following requirements:

(2) The director or co-director of the program shall:

(A) hold an active, valid California registered nurse license;

(B) have a Master's or a higher degree in nursing or a related health field from an accredited college or university;

(C) have had one academic year of experience, within the last five (5) years, as an instructor in a school of professional nursing, or in a program preparing nurse practitioners;

(D) be certified by the board as a nurse practitioner.

(2) The director, if he or she meets the requirements for the certified nurse practitioner role, may fulfill the lead nurse practitioner faculty educator role and responsibilities.

(f) Clinical Preceptor.

(1) A clinical preceptor in the nurse practitioner education program shall:

(3) Faculty in the theoretical portion of the program must include instructors who hold a Master's or higher degree in the area in which he or she teaches.

(4) A clinical instructor shall hold an active, valid, California license to practice his or her respective profession and demonstrate current clinical competence.

(5) A clinical instructor shall participate in teaching, supervising, and evaluating students, and shall be appropriately matched competent with the content and skills being taught to the students.

(2) Clinical preceptor functions and responsibilities shall be clearly documented in a written agreement between the agency, the preceptor, and the nurse practitioner education program including the clinical preceptor's role to teach, supervise and evaluate students in the nurse practitioner education program.

(3) A clinical preceptor is oriented to program and curriculum requirements, including responsibilities related to student supervision and evaluation;

(4) A clinical preceptor shall be evaluated by the program faculty at least every two (2) years.

(h) Nurse Practitioner Education Program Curriculum.

The nurse practitioner education program curriculum shall include all theoretical and clinical instruction that meet the standards set forth in this section and be consistent with national standards for graduate and nurse practitioner education, including nationally recognized core role and category competencies and be approved by the board.

(1) The program shall include all theoretical and clinical instruction necessary to enable the graduate to provide primary health care for persons for whom he/she will provide care.

(2) The program shall provide evaluation of previous education and/or experience in primary health care for the purpose of granting credit for meeting program requirements.

(3) (2) Training for practice in an area of specialization shall be broad enough, not only to detect and control presenting symptoms, but to minimize the potential for disease progression. The curriculum shall provide broad educational preparation and include a graduate core, advance practice registered nursing core, the nurse practitioner core role competencies, and the competencies specific to the category.

(4) (3) Curriculum, course content, and plans for clinical experience shall be developed through collaboration of the total faculty. The program shall prepare the graduate to be eligible to sit for a
specific national nurse practitioner category certification examination consistent with educational preparation.

(5) (A) Curriculum, course content, methods of instruction and clinical experience shall be consistent with the philosophy and objectives of the program. The curriculum plan shall have appropriate course sequencing and progression, which includes, but is not limited to the following:

(A) The advanced practice registered nursing core courses in advanced health assessment, advanced pharmacology, and advanced pathophysiology shall be completed prior to or concurrent with commencing clinical course work.

(B) Instruction and skills practice for diagnostic and treatment procedures shall occur prior to application in the clinical setting.

(C) Concurrent theory and clinical practice courses in the category shall emphasize the management of health-illness needs in primary and/or acute care.

(D) The supervised direct patient care precepted clinical experiences shall be under the supervision of a certified nurse practitioner.

(6) Outlines and descriptions of all learning experiences shall be available, in writing, prior to enrollment of students in the program. The program shall meet the minimum of 500 clinical hours of supervised direct patient care experiences as specified in current nurse practitioner national education standards. Additional clinical hours required for preparation in more than one category shall be identified and documented in the curriculum plan for each category.

(7) The nurse practitioner education curriculum shall include content related to California Nursing Practice Act, Business & Professions Code, Division 2, Chapter 6, Article 8, “Nurse Practitioners”; and California Code of Regulations Title 16, Division 14, Article 7, “Standardized Procedure Guidelines” and Article 8, “Standards for Nurse Practitioners,” including, but not limited to:

(A) Section 2835.7 of Business & Professions Code, “Additional authorized acts; implementation of standardized procedures”;

(B) Section 2836.1 of Business & Professions Code, “Furnishing or ordering of drugs or devices.”

(8) The course of instruction shall be calculated according to the following formulas: The course of instruction program units and contact hours shall be calculated using the following formulas:

(A) One (1) hour of instruction in theory each week throughout a semester or quarter equals one (1) unit.

(B) Three (3) hours of clinical practice each week throughout a semester or quarter equals one (1) unit.

(C) One (1) semester equals 16-18 weeks and one (1) quarter equals 10-12 weeks.

(9) Supervised clinical practice shall consist of two phases: at least 12 semester units or 18 quarter units.

(A) Concurrent with theory, there shall be provided for the student, demonstration of and supervised practice of correlated skills in the clinical setting with patients.

(B) Following acquisition of basic theoretical knowledge prescribed by the curriculum, the student shall receive supervised experience and instruction in an appropriate clinical setting.
(C) At least 12 semester units or 18 quarter units of the program shall be in clinical practice.

18 The duration of clinical experience and the setting shall be such that the student will receive intensive experience in performing the diagnostic and treatment procedures essential to the practice for which the student is being prepared shall be sufficient for the student to demonstrate clinical competencies in the nurse practitioner category.

11 The nurse practitioner education program shall have the responsibility arrange for arranging for clinical instruction and supervision for of the student.

12 The curriculum shall include, but is not limited to:

(A) Normal growth and development
(B) Pathophysiology
(C) Interviewing and communication skills
(D) Eliciting, recording and maintaining a developmental health history
(E) Comprehensive physical examination
(F) Psycho-social assessment
(G) Interpretation of laboratory findings
(H) Evaluation of assessment date to define health and developmental problems
(I) Pharmacology
(J) Nutrition
(K) Disease management
(L) Principles of health maintenance
(M) Assessment of community resources
(N) Initiating and providing emergency treatments
(O) Nurse practitioner role development
(P) Legal implications of advanced practice
(Q) Health care delivery systems

13 The course of instruction of a program conducted in a non-academic setting shall be equivalent to that conducted in an academic setting.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2715, 2835.7 and 2836, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2835, 2835.5, 2835.7, 2836, 2836.1, 2836.2, 2836.3 and 2837, Business and Professions Code.

1486. Requirements for Clinical Practice Experience for Nurse Practitioner Students Enrolled in Non-California based Nurse Practitioner Education Programs.

(a) The Non-California based Nurse Practitioner education program requesting clinical placements for students in clinical practice settings in California shall:

1. Obtain prior board approval;
2. Ensure students have successfully completed prerequisite courses and are enrolled in the nurse practitioner education program;
3. Secure clinical preceptors who meet board requirements;
4. Ensure the clinical preceptorship experiences in the program meet all board requirements and national education standards and competencies for the nurse practitioner role and population as outlined by the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) in “Nurse Practitioner Core Competencies Content” (2017) or the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) in “Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs” (2016);
5. A clinical preceptor in the nurse practitioner education program shall:
(a) Hold a valid and active California license to practice his or her respective profession and demonstrate current clinical competence.

(b) Participate in teaching, supervising, and evaluating students, and shall be competent in the content and skills being taught to the students.

(c) Be a health care provider qualified by education, licensure and clinical competence in the assigned nurse practitioner category to provide direct supervision of the clinical practice experiences for a nurse practitioner student.

(d) Be oriented to program and curriculum requirements, including responsibilities related to student supervision and evaluation;

(e) Be evaluated by the program faculty at least every two (2) years.

Clinical preceptor functions and responsibilities shall be clearly documented in a written agreement between the agency, the preceptor, and the nurse practitioner education program including the clinical preceptor’s role to teach, supervise and evaluate students in the nurse practitioner education program.

(b) Students shall hold an active, valid California registered nurse license to participate in nurse practitioner education program clinical experiences.

(c) The nurse practitioner education program shall demonstrate evidence that the curriculum includes content related to legal aspects of California certified nurse practitioner laws and regulations.

   (1) The curriculum shall include content related to California Nursing Practice Act, Business & Professions Code, Division 2, Chapter 6, Article 8, “Nurse Practitioners” and California Code of Regulations Title 16, Division 14, Article 7, “Standardized Procedure Guidelines” and Article 8, “Standards for Nurse Practitioners”, including, but not limited to:

       (A) Section 2835.7 of Business & Professions Code, “Additional authorized acts; implementation of standardized procedures”;

       (B) Section 2836.1 of Business & Professions Code, “Furnishing or ordering of drugs or devices”.

(d) The nurse practitioner education program shall notify the board of pertinent changes within 30 days.

(e) The board may withdraw authorization for program clinical placements in California, at any time.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2715, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2729, 2835, 2835.5 and 2836, Business and Professions Code.
These revised guidelines are established for Nurse Practitioner programs who offer advanced pharmacology courses in order to meet Furnishing requirements.

MINIMUM COURSE OFFERINGS
- A post-RN licensure advanced pharmacology course based on the RN's previous knowledge of pharmacology and pharmaco-therapeutics.
- A three (3) semester units or five (5) quarter units academic course.

KEY POINTS:
The advanced pharmacology course must include:
- The mechanism for ongoing communication between the student and course instructor.
- The requirements for approved standardized procedures to be institute prior to beginning practice.
- The requirement to furnish drugs/devices pursuant to standardized procedure.
- The furnishing responsibility for Schedule II, III, IV, V controlled substances that are to be furnished with a patient-specific protocol in compliance with the Health and Safety Code (HSC) Division 10, Uniform Controlled Substances Act, Sections 11000-11056, Chapter 1. General Provisions and Definitions, for Nurse Practitioners.
- The furnishing responsibility for Schedule II, III, IV and V controlled substances that are to be furnished with a patient specific protocol in compliance with Health and Safety Code (HSC) Division 10, Uniform Controlled Substances Act, Section 11056, for Certified Nurse Midwives.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
1. Uses the data base obtained from the health assessment of the client to identify an appropriate therapeutic regimen, including drugs and/or devices.
2. Uses knowledge of pharmacokinetics when developing a therapeutic regimen that maximizes the therapeutic effectiveness while minimizing adverse reactions.
3. Uses knowledge of pharmacodynamics to observe the effects of drugs and/or devices on a client; to encourage the client’s response; and to understand the effects of the drugs and/or devices.
4. Evaluates the response and compliance of the client to the drugs and/or devices and implement appropriate action.
5. Provides appropriate client education regarding the furnished drugs and/or devices.
6. Furnishes drugs and/or devices pursuant to standardized procedures and in conformance with applicable laws, codes and/or regulations.
7. Examines appropriate guidelines for the pharmacological management of selected health care syndromes and diseases commonly encountered with awareness of client’s nutrition, culture, ethnicity and socioeconomic status.
8. Uses knowledge and awareness of the role of herbal and natural remedies while treating disease states.
Advanced Pharmacology Enabling Objectives have been developed through public input and are available upon request.

**FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS**

All stated qualifications must be met by the faculty, include Directors and instructors.

- Current, valid and clear license to practice in the appropriate discipline.
- Demonstrates expertise in the theoretical and clinical aspects of pharmacology/pharmacotherapeutics.
- Possesses at least two years of experience in the teaching of advanced pharmacology.
- Includes a faculty member who has completed a doctoral level pharmacology/pharmacotherapeutics degree.
- Demonstrates evidence of advanced clinical practice within the past five years applying the principles of advanced pharmacology.

**ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY ENABLING OBJECTIVES**

- Defines and verbalizes an understanding of the terminology of advanced pharmacology. (Vocabulary list to be included)
- Identifies sources of drugs and provides examples of drugs from each drug source.
- Defines half-life and explains the importance of a drug’s half-life in a therapeutic drug regimen.
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- Describes the "targets" of drugs.
- Describes the pharmacokinetic process of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion.
- Describes how the body's acid base environment affects the pharmacokinetic process of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion of drugs.
- Describes variables that determine the rate of drug removal.
- Identifies sources of drugs and provides examples of drugs from each drug source.
- Defines half-life and explains the importance of a drug’s half-life in a therapeutic drug regimen.
- Defines factors that influence medication compliance.
- Provides comprehensive and appropriate client and family education re: drugs of choice and alternatives and involves the client and family in the decision making process re: drug treatments.
- Chooses most appropriate drug for a disease based upon client's symptomatology, health status and lifestyle.

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# APPLICATION FOR NURSE PRACTITIONER (NP) CERTIFICATION

**APPLICATION FEE - $500.00**

**PERSONAL DATA (PRINT OR TYPE)**

- **LAST NAME:**
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- **OR INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER ID NUMBER:**
- **PREVIOUS NAMES:** (Including Maiden)
- **MOTHER’S MAIDEN NAME:** (Last Name Only)

## RN LICENSURE/NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATION

- **California RN License Number:**
- **Date Issued:**
- **Expiration Date:**

- **List ALL States Where You Hold/Held an RN License and Status:**

- **List ALL States Where You Hold/Held a Nurse Practitioner License/Certificate and Status:**

## RN EDUCATION

- **Name of Professional Registered Nursing Program**

- **City**
- **State**
- **Country**

- **Entrance Date:**
- **Graduation/Completion Date:**

## NURSE PRACTITIONER EDUCATION

- **Name of Nurse Practitioner Academic Program**

- **City**
- **State**
- **Country**

- **Area of Specialization:**

- **Entrance Date:**
- **Graduation/Completion Date:**

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NAME OF APPLICANT: ____________________________

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Have you applied for a Nurse Practitioner certificate in California?  
If yes, name on previous application: __________________________

Have you ever been issued a Nurse Practitioner certificate in California?  
If yes, STOP! DO NOT CONTINUE. Please contact the Board regarding whether you should apply or file an appeal for reinstatement of your California Nurse Practitioner certification.

Have you ever had disciplinary proceedings against any license as a RN or any healthcare-related license or certificate including revocation, suspension, probation, voluntary surrender, or any other proceeding in any state or country? If yes, please provide a detailed written explanation including the date and state or country where the discipline occurred.

I understand that I am required to report immediately to the California Board of Registered Nursing if I am convicted of ANY offense that occurs between the date of this application and the date that a California registered nurse license is issued. I am also required to report to the California Board of Registered Nursing any disciplinary action and/or voluntary surrender against ANY health-care related license/certificate that occurs between the date of this application and the date that a California registered nurse license is issued. I understand that failure to do so may result in denial of this application or subsequent disciplinary action against my license/certificate.

I certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that all information provided in connection with this application for licensure is true, correct and complete. Providing false information or omitting required information is grounds for denial of licensure or license revocation in California.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT ____________________________ DATE ____________________________

** U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER/ITIN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Disclosure of your U.S. Social Security Number/ITIN is mandatory. Section 30 of the Business and Professions Code and Public Law 94-455 (2 USC section 605(a)(iii)(C)) authorizes collection of your U.S. Social Security Number/ITIN. Your U.S. Social Security Number/ITIN will be used exclusively for tax enforcement purposes and for purposes of compliance with any judgment or order for family support in accordance with section 17520 of the Family Code, or for verification of licensure or examination status by a licensing or examination entity which utilizes a national examination and issuance process with its respective states. If you fail to disclose your U.S. Social Security Number/ITIN, your application for initial or renewal license will not be processed and you will be reported to the Franchise Tax Board, which may assess a $100 penalty against you.
VERIFICATION OF NURSE PRACTITIONER ACADEMIC PROGRAM

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT: Please complete Section A and forward to the program director/representative for the nurse practitioner academic program for completion. Official transcripts submitted must include all completed coursework with the certificate/degree status conferred and must be sent directly to the Board of Registered Nursing by the Registrar’s Office/Transcript Office. A processing fee may be required for the submission of the official transcripts.

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I certify under penalty of perjury that the documentation regarding the completion of the nurse practitioner academic program for the above named applicant is true and correct.

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VERIFICATION OF NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATION BY NATIONAL ORGANIZATION/ASSOCIATION

METHOD 2

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT: Please complete Section A and submit to the applicable national organization/association to verify your nursing practitioner certification status. A fee is required by the national organization/association for the processing of the verification form.

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CERTIFYING NATIONAL ORGANIZATION/ASSOCIATION

The above applicant has applied for a nurse practitioner certification in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the Board of Registered Nursing at the above address.

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CURRENT RENEWAL CYCLE DATES FOR CERTIFICATION/RECERTIFICATION:
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| From: (Month/Year) | To: (Month/Year) |

I certify under penalty of perjury that the documentation regarding the nurse practitioner certification status for the above named applicant is true and correct.

SIGNATURE: ____________________  (DATE)  TITLE: ____________________

(OFFICIAL SEAL)
VERIFICATION OF “CLINICAL COMPETENCY” AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER

METHOD 3 - EQUIVALENCY

Verification of the applicant’s clinical competency in the delivery of primary care is one of the requirements which must be met in order to qualify to use the title “Nurse Practitioner” in California.

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The verifying nurse practitioner and physician MUST meet the following requirements:
1. Current, clear and active licensure to practice.
2. Clinical competency in the provision of primary care.
3. Direct observations of clinical practice.

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EVALUATING “NURSE PRACTITIONER”

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I certify under penalty of perjury that I have evaluated the above named applicant and verify that he/she is clinically competent in the appropriate discipline in clinical practice in the provision of primary care.

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VERIFICATION OF "CLINICAL COMPETENCY" AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER

METHOD 3 - EQUIVALENCY

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The verifying nurse practitioner and physician MUST meet the following requirements:
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2. Clinical competency in the provision of primary care.
3. Direct observations of clinical practice.

The above applicant has applied for a nurse practitioner certification in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the Board of Registered Nursing at the above address.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: ____________________________ DATE: ____________

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EVALUATING "PHYSICIAN"

The above applicant has applied for a nurse practitioner certification in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the Board of Registered Nursing at the above address.

LAST NAME: ____________________________ FIRST NAME: ____________________________ MIDDLE NAME: ____________________________

ADDRESS OF AGENCY: Number & Street City State Postal/Zip Code

TELEPHONE NUMBER: ____________________________ U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: ____________________________

MD LICENSE NUMBER: ____________________________ DATES EMPLOYED IN SPECIALTY AREA:
From: ____________________________ To: ____________________________

EXPIRATION DATE: ____________________________ PROFESSIONAL SPECIALTY: ____________________________

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I certify under penalty of perjury that I have evaluated the above named applicant and verify that he/she is clinically competent in the appropriate discipline in clinical practice in the provision of primary care.

SIGNATURE OF EVALUATOR: ____________________________ DATE: ____________
METHOD 3 - EQUIVALENCY

Verification of the nurse’s clinical experience in the delivery of primary care is required in order for him/her to use the title “Nurse Practitioner” in California.

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PHYSICIAN/NURSE PRACTITIONER VERIFYING THE APPLICANT’S CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

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I certify under penalty of perjury that I have verified that the above named applicant received the number of supervised clinical hours in the appropriate discipline in clinical practice in the performance of diagnostic and treatment procedures essential to the provision of primary care.

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISOR: ___________________________ DATE: ___________
The Information Practices Act, Section 1798.17 Civil Code, requires the following information to be provided when collecting information from individuals.

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INSTRUCTIONS:
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TYPE OF PROGRAM:

- CERTIFICATE
- MASTERS
- POST-MASTERS

ENTRANCE DATE: (Month/Day/Year)

COMPLETION DATE: (Month/Day/Year)

SPECIALTY: 

I certify under penalty of perjury that the above information regarding the Application for the Temporary Nurse Practitioner Certificate is true and correct.

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# Nurse Practitioner Furnishing Number Application

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### Nurse Practitioner Advanced Pharmacology Course

- **NAME OF NURSE PRACTITIONER PROGRAM**
- **COURSE TITLE**
- **COMPLETION DATE**
- **# QTR/SEM UNITS**

- **NAME OF ACADEMIC COURSE**
- **SCHOOL ADDRESS**: Number & Street
  - **City**
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I certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**: ____________________________

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**U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER/ITIN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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NURSE PRACTITIONER
ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY COURSE VERIFICATION

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**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE NURSE PRACTITIONER ACADEMIC PROGRAM**

The above applicant has applied for a Nurse Practitioner furnishing number in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the California Board of Registered Nursing at the above address. The criteria for the advanced pharmacology course is listed on the two (2) page attachment.

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**ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY COURSE/CONTENT:**

- Entrance and completion dates for course: Entrance: (Month/Day/Year) Completion: (Month/Day/Year)
- Was a separate course? □ □ If YES, specify the course title: ____________________________
- □ □ If NO, was Integrated in the program curriculum? □ □ YES NO

- Equivalent to: 3 semester units: □ □ 5 quarter units: □ □ 45 hours: □ □
- □ □ YES NO □ □ YES NO

The drugs or devices are furnished or ordered by a Nurse Practitioner in accordance with standardized procedures or protocols developed when the drugs or devices furnished or ordered are consistent with the practitioner’s educational preparation or for which clinical competency has been established and maintained. □ □ YES NO

The Advanced Pharmacology course includes the key points and course objectives listed on the two (2) page attachment. □ □ YES NO

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NURSE PRACTITIONER ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY COURSE FOR FURNISHING

These revised guidelines are established for Nurse Practitioner programs who offer advanced pharmacology courses in order to meet Furnishing requirements.

MINIMUM COURSE OFFERINGS
- A post-RN licensure advanced pharmacology course based on the RN's previous knowledge of pharmacology and pharmaco therapeutics.
- A three (3) semester units or five (5) quarter units academic course.

KEY POINTS:
The advanced pharmacology course must include:
- The mechanism for ongoing communication between the student and course instructor.
- The requirements for approved standardized procedures to be in place prior to beginning practice.
- The requirement to furnish drugs/devices pursuant to a standardized procedure.
- The furnishing responsibility for Schedule II, III, IV, V controlled substances that are to be furnished with a patient-specific protocol in compliance with the Health and Safety Code (HSC) Division 10, Uniform Controlled Substances Act, Sections 11000-11651, Chapter I. General Provisions and Definitions, for Nurse Practitioners.
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COURSE OBJECTIVES:
1. Uses the database obtained from the health assessment of the client to identify an appropriate therapeutic regimen, including drugs and/or devices.
2. Uses knowledge of pharmacokinetics when developing a therapeutic regimen that maximizes the therapeutic effectiveness while minimizing adverse reactions.
3. Uses knowledge of pharmacodynamics to observe the effects of drugs and/or devices on a client; to predict the client's response; and to understand the effects of the drugs and/or devices.
4. Evaluates the response and compliance of the client to the drugs and/or devices and implements appropriate action.
5. Provides appropriate client education regarding the furnished drugs and/or devices.
6. Furnishes drugs and/or devices pursuant to standardized procedures and in conformance with applicable laws, codes and regulations.
7. Examines appropriate guidelines for the pharmacological management of selected health care syndromes/diseases commonly encountered with awareness of client's nutrition, culture, ethnicity and socioeconomic status.
8. Uses knowledge and awareness of the role of herbal and natural remedies while treating disease states.
Advanced Pharmacology Enabling Objectives have been developed through public input and are available upon request.

FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS
All stated qualifications must be met by the faculty, include Directors and instructors.
- Current, valid and clear license to practice in the appropriate discipline.
- Demonstrates expertise in the theoretical and clinical aspects of pharmacology/pharmacotherapeutics.
- Possesses at least two years of experience in the teaching of advanced pharmacology.
- Includes a faculty member who has completed a doctoral level pharmacology/pharmacotherapeutics degree.
- Demonstrates evidence of advanced clinical practice within the past five years applying the principles of advanced pharmacology.

ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY ENABLING OBJECTIVES
- Defines and verbalizes an understanding of the terminology of advanced pharmacology. (Vocabulary list to be included)
- Identifies sources of drugs and provides examples of drugs from each drug source.
- Describes the “targets” of drugs.
- Describes the pharmacokinetic process of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion.
- Identifies factors that alter the processes of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion.
- Analyzes how the body’s acid base environment affects the pharmacokinetic process of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion of drugs.
- Describes variables that determine the correct dosage of drugs.
- Defines half-life and explains the importance of a drug’s half-life in a therapeutic drug regimen.
- Describes factors that influence a drug’s half-life.
- Analyzes the relationship between drugs and their physiological and pathophysiological responses.
- Understands the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic effects of broad categories of drugs, i.e., antibiotics, antiarrhythmics, antihypertensives contraceptives, etc. used in specific treatment regimens.
- Uses data obtained during a client’s History and Physical Examination (H&P) to identify appropriate drug choice/s and herbs, vitamins, minerals, and trace elements regimen/s, and recognizes the role of herbal and natural remedies in the treatment of health and disease states.
- Based upon the principles of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics, identifies the indications, rationales, and mechanisms of action for drugs and contrasts drugs used to treat specific conditions.
- Understands the potential interactions between drugs and herbs, vitamins, minerals, and trace elements.
- Performs appropriate monitoring before, during, and after specific drug regimens.
- Monitors efficacy of drugs evaluates the response and compliance of the client to the drugs/devices and provides interventions for side effects, and manages adverse events that may occur.
- Identifies drugs with narrow therapeutic range.
- Identifies appropriate methods to write and transmit prescriptions.
- Furnishes drugs pursuant to legal requirements, standardized procedures, ethical standards, and in compliance with health and safety codes.
- Identifies resources for drug information and uses the resources to maintain clinical competency for furnishing.
- Describes the essential components of client education re: medications including: name of medication/s frequency/time of doses, correct dosage/s to take, how to take the medication/s i.e., with or without food, what to do if a dose of a medication is missed, side effects to expect, and adverse event/s to report to the prescriber.
- Identifies factors that influence medication compliance.
- Provides comprehensive and appropriate client and family education re: drugs of choice and alternatives and involves the client and family in the decision making process re: drug treatments.
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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

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NAME AND/OR ADDRESS CHANGES

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS – (continued)

IV. REPORTING PRIOR CONVICTIONS OR DISCIPLINE AGAINST LICENSES/CERTIFICATES

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Failure to report prior convictions or disciplinary action is considered falsification of application and is grounds for denial of licensure/certification or revocation of license/certificate.

When reporting prior convictions or disciplinary action, applicants are required to provide a full written explanation of:
- circumstances surrounding the arrest(s), conviction(s), and/or disciplinary action(s);
- the date of incident(s), conviction(s) or disciplinary action(s);
- specific violation(s) (cite section of law if convicted), court location or jurisdiction, sanctions or penalties imposed and completion dates.

Provide certified copies of arrest and court documents and for disciplinary proceedings against any license as a RN or any health-care related license; include copies of state board determinations/decisions, citations and letters of reprimand.

NOTE: For drug and alcohol convictions include documents that establish blood alcohol content (BAC) and sobriety date.

To make a determination in these cases, the Board considers the nature and severity of the offense, additional subsequent acts, recency of acts or crimes, compliance with court sanctions, and evidence of rehabilitation.

The burden of proof lies with the applicant to demonstrate acceptable documented evidence of rehabilitation. Examples of rehabilitation evidence include, but are not limited to:
- Recent, dated letter from applicant describing the event and rehabilitative efforts or changes in life to prevent future problems or occurrences.
- Recent and signed letters of reference on official letterhead from employers, nursing instructors, health professionals, professional counselors, parole or probation officers, Support Group Facilitators or sponsors, or other individuals in positions of authority who are knowledgeable about your rehabilitation efforts.
- Letters from recognized recovery programs and/or counselors attesting to current sobriety and length of time of sobriety, if there is a history of alcohol or drug abuse.
- Submit copies of recent work evaluations.
- Proof of community work, schooling, self-improvement efforts.
- Court-issued certificate of rehabilitation or evidence of expungement, proof of compliance with criminal probation or parole, and orders of the court.

All of the above items should be mailed directly to the Board by the individual(s) or agency who is providing information about the applicant. Have these items sent to the Board of Registered Nursing, Licensing Unit – Advanced Practice Certification (NP), P.O. Box 844210, Sacramento, CA 94244-2100.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide sufficient rehabilitation evidence on a timely basis so that a certification determination can be made.

An applicant is also required to immediately report, in writing, to the Board any conviction(s) or disciplinary action(s) which occur between the date the application was filed and the date that a California Nurse Practitioner certificate is issued. Failure to report this information is grounds for denial of licensure or revocation of license/certificate.

NOTE: The application must be completed and signed by the applicant under the penalty of perjury.
V. TEMPORARY NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATE

The Nurse Practitioner certification applicant may apply for the Temporary Nurse Practitioner Certificate (TC/NP) only if the applicant does not possess a **permanent California RN license at the time of application.**

Eligibility for the TC/NP is based on:

- Possession of a temporary California RN license (TL).
- A completed Application for Licensure by Endorsement which includes written verification from a state where you hold an active and permanent RN license and results from the background check received from the California Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). You also must request an official transcript be sent directly from your nursing program.
- A completed Application for Nurse Practitioner Certification which includes verification of completion of a Nurse Practitioner academic program, official transcript, and if applicable, verification of national certification as a Nurse Practitioner.

VI. BOARD ADDRESS & WEB SITE INFORMATION

**Mailing Address:** Advanced Practice Unit – NP Certification  
Board of Registered Nursing  
P.O. Box 944214  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2100

**Street Address** for overnight or in-person delivery:  
Advanced Practice Unit – NP Certification  
Board of Registered Nursing  
1747 N Market Blvd., Suite 150  
Sacramento, CA 95834-1924

**Web Site:** [www.rn.ca.gov](http://www.rn.ca.gov)

VII. CALIFORNIA NURSING PRACTICE ACT

California statutes and regulations pertaining to Registered Nurses/Nurse Practitioners may be obtained by accessing the Board of Registered Nursing web site at [www.rn.ca.gov](http://www.rn.ca.gov)
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 
NURSE PRACTITIONER (NP) CERTIFICATION

METHOD ONE
(California Graduates Only)

Successful completion of a nurse practitioner program of study which conforms with the Board’s educational standards set forth in the California Code of Regulations Section 1484.

Documentation submitted directly to the Board of Registered Nursing:

1. Completed Application for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certification and applicable fee.
2. Completed Verification of Nurse Practitioner Academic Program form submitted by the nurse practitioner academic program. (Page 8)
3. Official transcripts for the completed nurse practitioner academic program submitted by the nurse practitioner academic program.

METHOD TWO

Certification by a national organization/association whose standards are equivalent to those set forth in the California Code of Regulations Section 1484.

Documentation submitted directly to the Board of Registered Nursing:

1. Completed Application for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certification and applicable fee.
2. Completed Verification of Nurse Practitioner Academic Program form submitted by the nurse practitioner academic program. (Page 8)
3. Completed Verification of Nurse Practitioner Certification by National Organization/Association form submitted by the respective organization. (Page 9)
   (See page 5 for a list of National Organizations/Associations)
4. Official transcripts for the completed nurse practitioner academic program submitted by the nurse practitioner academic program.

METHOD THREE – EQUIVALENCY

A registered nurse who has not completed a nurse practitioner program of study which meets the Board of Registered Nursing’s educational standards as specified in the California Code of Regulations Section 1484.

Documentation submitted directly to the Board of Registered Nursing:

1. Completed Application for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Certification and applicable fee.
2. Completed Verification of Nurse Practitioner Academic Program form submitted by the nurse practitioner academic program. (Page 8)
3. Completed Verification of “Clinical Competency” as a Nurse Practitioner form submitted by a nurse practitioner. (Page 10)
4. Completed Verification of “Clinical Competency” as a Nurse Practitioner form submitted by a physician. (Page 11)
5. Completed Verification of “Clinical Experience” as a Nurse Practitioner form submitted by the physician and/or nurse practitioner. (Page 12)
6. Official transcripts for the completed nurse practitioner academic program and/or academic program submitted by the applicable program.
7. Curriculum and course descriptions for the completed academic program for the period of time attended.

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 
NURSE PRACTITIONER (NP) CERTIFICATION – (continued)

The national organizations/associations listed below have met the certification requirements that are equivalent to the Board's standards for nurse practitioner certification:

- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)
  P. O. Box 12846, Austin, TX 78711
  (512) 442-4252
  www.aanp.org

- American Nurses Association - American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)
  8515 Georgia Ave., Suite 400, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3402
  (800) 284-2378
  www.nursecredentialing.org

- Pediatric Nursing Certification Board
  800 S. Frederick Ave., Suite 204, Gaithersburg, MD 20877-4152
  (301) 641-2767
  www.pncb.org

- National Certification Corporation for the Obstetric, Gynecologic and Neonatal Nursing Specialties (NCC)
  142 E. Ontario Street, Suite 1700, Chicago, IL 60611
  (312) 961-0207
  www.nccwebsite.org

- American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN)
  101 Columbia, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656-4416
  (800) 899-2226
  www.aacn.org

PLEASE REFER QUESTIONS REGARDING THE NURSE PRACTITIONER APPLICATION PROCESS TO THE ADVANCED PRACTICE UNIT IN SACRAMENTO AT (916) 322-3350.
HONORABLY DISCHARGED MEMBERS OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES RECEIVE EXPEDITED REVIEW

Notwithstanding any other law, on and after July 1, 2016, a board within the department shall expedite, and may assist, the initial licensure process for an applicant who supplies satisfactory evidence to the board that the applicant has served as an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States and was honorably discharged (Business and Professions Code section 115.4.).

If you would like to be considered for this expedited review and process, please provide the following documentation with your application:


The report of separation form issued in most recent years is the DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. Before January 1, 1950, several similar forms were used by the military services, including the WD AGO 53, WD AGO 55, WD AGO 53-55, NAVPERS 553, NAVMC 78PD and the NAVCG 553.

Information shown on the Report of Separation may include the service member's date and place of entry into active duty, date and place of release from active duty, last duty assignment and rank, military job specialty, military education, total creditable service, separation information, etc.
APPLICATION FOR NURSE PRACTITIONER (NP) CERTIFICATION

APPLICATION FEE - $150.00

PERSONAL DATA (PRINT OR TYPE)

LAST NAME: 
FIRST NAME: 
MIDDLE NAME: 

ADDRESS: Number and Street

City State Country Postal/Zip Code

HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER: ALTERNATE TELEPHONE NUMBER: EMAIL ADDRESS:

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RN LICENSURE/NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATION

California RN License Number:
Date Issued:
Expiration Date:

List ALL States Where You Hold a Nurse Practitioner License/Certificate and Status:

RN EDUCATION

Name of Professional Registered Nursing Program
City State Country

Entrance Date: 
Graduation/Completion Date:

NURSE PRACTITIONER EDUCATION

Name of Nurse Practitioner Academic Program
City State Country

Area of Specialization:

TYPE OF PROGRAM:

- ASSOCIATE DEGREE
- DIPLOMA
- BACCALAUREATE DEGREE
- MASTERS DEGREE/NURSING

TYPE OF NURSE PRACTITIONER ACADEMIC PROGRAM:

- CERTIFICATE
- MASTERS
- POST-MASTERS

Entrance Date: 
Graduation/Completion Date:

(Questions on both sides of page)
NAME OF APPLICANT: 

NURSE PRACTITIONER PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

METHOD OF CERTIFICATION:

- EXAMINATION
- OTHER (Please Explain):

Original Date of Certification: 

Current Recertification Cycle Dates: 

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Have you applied for a Nurse Practitioner certificate in California?

If yes, name on previous application: 

Have you ever been issued a Nurse Practitioner certificate in California?

If yes: STOP! DO NOT CONTINUE. Please contact the Board regarding whether you should reapply or file a petition for reinstatement of your California Nurse Practitioner certificate.

Have you ever had disciplinary proceedings against any license, a RN, or any health-care related license or certificate including revocation, suspension, probation, voluntary surrender, or any other proceeding in any state or country? If yes, please provide a detailed written explanation including the date and state or country where the discipline occurred.

Have you ever been convicted of any offense other than minor traffic violations? If yes, explain fully as described in the applicant instructions. Convictions must be reported even if they have been adjudicated, dismissed or expunged or if a diversion program has been completed under the Penal Code or Articles 5 of the Vehicle Code. Traffic violations involving driving under the influence, injury to persons, or providing false information must be reported. The definition of conviction includes a plea of no contest (guilty, but not guilty), as well as pleas of defendant guilty. YOU MUST INCLUDE MISDEMEANOR AS WELL AS FELONY CONVICTIONS.

I understand that I am required to report immediately to the California Board of Registered Nursing if I am convicted of ANY offense that occurs between the date of this application and the date that a California registered nurse license is issued. I am also required to report to the California Board of Registered Nursing any disciplinary action and/or voluntary surrender against ANY health-care related license/certificate that occurs after the date of this application and the date that a California registered nurse license is issued. I understand that failure to do so may result in denial of this application or subsequent disciplinary action against my license/certificate.

I certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that all information provided in connection with this application for licensure is true, correct and complete. Providing false information or omitting required information is grounds for denial of licensure or license revocation in California.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE

**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Disclosure of your social security number is mandatory. Section 65 of the Business and Professions Code and Public Law 84-455 (42 USC 6 (w)(3)) authorize collection of your social security number. Your social security number will be used exclusively for tax enforcement purposes and for purposes of compliance with any judgment or order for family support in accordance with section 17256 of the Family Code, or for verification of licensure or examination status by a licensing or examination entity which utilizes a national examination and where licensure is reciprocal with the requesting state. If you fail to disclose your social security number, your application for initial or renewal license will not be processed and you will be reported to the Franchise Tax Board, which may assess a $100 penalty against you.

Attach a recent 2"x2" passport type photograph. Please tape on all four sides.

Head and shoulders only

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VERIFICATION OF NURSE PRACTITIONER ACADEMIC PROGRAM

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT: Please complete Section A and forward to the program director/representative for the nurse practitioner academic program for completion. Official transcripts submitted must include all completed coursework with the certificate/degree status conferred and must be sent directly to the Board of Registered Nursing by the Registrar’s Office/Transcript Office. A processing fee may be required for the submission of the official transcripts.

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR/REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE NURSE PRACTITIONER ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The above applicant has applied for a nurse practitioner certification in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the Board of Registered Nursing at the above address.

| NAME OF NURSE PRACTITIONER ACADEMIC PROGRAM: |
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| Postal/Zip Code |
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| POST-MASTERS |
| SPECIALTY: |
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| Date Certificate/Degree Status Conferred: (Month/Day/Year) |
| OUT OF STATE NP ACADEMIC PROGRAM GRADUATES: |
| Recognized by Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education: YES NO |
| If yes, Name: |
| Program Approval Cycle Dates: |

I certify under penalty of perjury that the documentation regarding the completion of the nurse practitioner academic program for the above named applicant is true and correct.

SIGNATURE: ____________________________ (DATE) TITLE: ____________________________
## Verification of Nurse Practitioner Certification by National Organization/Association

### Method 2

**TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT:** Please complete Section A and submit to the applicable national organization/association to verify your nursing practitioner certification status. A fee is required by the national organization/association for the processing of the verification form.

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### B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CERTIFYING NATIONAL ORGANIZATION/ASSOCIATION

The above applicant has applied for a nurse practitioner certification in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the Board of Registered Nursing at the above address.

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I certify under penalty of perjury that the documentation regarding the nurse practitioner certification status for the above named applicant is true and correct.

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VERIFICATION OF "CLINICAL COMPETENCY" AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER

METHOD 3.- EQUIVALENCY

Verification of the applicant’s clinical competency in the delivery of primary health care is one of the requirements, which must be met in order to qualify to use the title "Nurse Practitioner" in California.

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE is that care which occurs when a consumer makes contact with a health care provider who assumes responsibility and accountability for the continuity of health care regardless of the presence or absence of disease. (California Code of Regulations Section 1480(b)).

CLINICALLY COMPETENT means that one possesses and exercises that degree of learning, skill, care and experience ordinarily possessed and exercised by a member of the appropriate discipline in clinical practice. (California Code of Regulations Section 1480(c)). The clinical experience must be such that the nurse received intensive experience in performing the diagnostic and treatment procedures essential to the provision of primary health care.

The verifying nurse practitioner and physician MUST meet the following requirements:
1. Current, clear and active licensure to practice.
2. Clinical competency in the provision of primary health care.
3. Direct observations of clinical practice.

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EVALUATING "NURSE PRACTITIONER"

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I certify under penalty of perjury that I have evaluated the above named applicant and verify that he/she is clinically competent in the appropriate discipline in clinical practice in the provision of primary health care.

SIGNATURE OF EVALUATOR: __________________________ DATE: __________
VERIFICATION OF "CLINICAL COMPETENCY" AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER

METHOD 3 - EQUIVALENCY

Verification of the applicant’s clinical competency in the delivery of primary health care is one of the requirements, which must be met in order to qualify to use the title "Nurse Practitioner" in California.

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE is that care which occurs when a consumer makes contact with a health care provider who assumes responsibility and accountability for the continuity of health care regardless of the presence or absence of disease. (California Code of Regulations Section 1480(b)).

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The verifying nurse practitioner and physician MUST meet the following requirements:
1. Current, clear and active licensure to practice.
2. Clinical competency in the delivery of primary care.
3. Direct observation of clinical practice.

A. TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EVALUATING "PHYSICIAN"

The above applicant has applied for a nurse practitioner certification in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the Board of Registered Nursing at the above address.

I certify under penalty of perjury that I have evaluated the above named applicant and verify that he/she is clinically competent in the appropriate discipline in clinical practice in the provision of primary health care.

SIGNATURE OF EVALUATOR: ___________________________ DATE: ________

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: ___________________________ DATE: ________

TELEPHONE NUMBER: ________________________________ SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: ________________________________

MD LICENSE NUMBER: ________________________________ DATES EMPLOYED IN SPECIALTY AREA:
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PROFESSIONAL SPECIALTY: ___________________________

METHOD(S) UTILIZED TO EVALUATE APPLICANT'S CLINICAL COMPETENCY: ___________________________

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Number & Street: ________________________________
City: ________________________________ State: ___________ Postal/Zip Code: ___________

From: ___________ To: ___________ SIGNATURE OF EVALUATOR: ___________________________ DATE: ________
Verification of the nurse's clinical experience in the delivery of primary health care is required in order for him/her to use the title "Nurse Practitioner" in California.

Primary health care is that care which occurs when a consumer makes contact with a health care provider who assumes responsibility and accountability for the continuity of health care regardless of the presence or absence of disease. (California Code of Regulations Section 1480(b)).

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B. TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PHYSICIAN/NURSE PRACTITIONER VERIFYING THE APPLICANT'S CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

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APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY NURSE PRACTITIONER (NP) CERTIFICATE

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The application fee for the Temporary Nurse Practitioner Certificate (TC/NP) is $30.00.

2. The TC/NP will not be issued until the California RN Endorsement Application and the Application for Nurse Practitioner Certification are complete with exception of criminal record clearance from the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

3. The TC/NP will not be mailed to an In-care-of address or a third party address.

4. Possession of a current and active California Temporary RN License (TL) is required.

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ALREADY POSSESS A PERMANENT CALIFORNIA RN LICENSE, YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE TEMPORARY NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATE (TC/NP) AND YOUR APPLICATION FEE FOR THE TC/NP WILL NOT BE REFUNDED.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

For applicants who completed a California Board of Registered Nursing approved Nurse Practitioner (NP) Advanced Pharmacology Course, please provide the following:

- Nurse Practitioner Furnishing Number Application form completed by the applicant and $50.00 application fee.
- Advanced Pharmacology Course Verification form completed by the director of the Nurse Practitioner program.

For applicants who completed a Nurse Practitioner (NP) Advanced Pharmacology course more than five (5) years preceding the date of submitting the application to the California Board of Registered Nursing, in addition to the items noted above, you must also provide the following:

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Rev (10/2012)
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Notwithstanding any other law, on and after July 1, 2016, a board within the department shall expedite, and may assist, the initial licensure process for an applicant who supplies satisfactory evidence to the board that the applicant has served as an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States and was honorably discharged (Business and Professions Code section 115.4.).

If you would like to be considered for this expedited review and process, please provide the following documentation with your application:


The report of separation form issued in most recent years is the DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. Before January 1, 1950, several similar forms were used by the military services, including the WD AGO 53, WD AGO 55, WD AGO 53-55, NAVPERS 553, NAVMC 78PD and the NAVCG 553.

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### NURSE PRACTITIONER FURNISHING NUMBER APPLICATION

**FEE - $50.00**

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**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER/ITIN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Disclosure of your social security number/ITIN is mandatory. Section 30 of the Business and Professions Code and Public Law 94-466 (42 USCA (c)(2)(C) authorizes collection of your social security number/ITIN. Your social security number/ITIN will be used exclusively for tax enforcement purposes and for purposes of compliance with any judgment or order for family support in accordance with section 17520 of the Family Code, or for verification of licensure or examination status by a licensing or examination entity which utilizes a national examination and where California is registered with the requesting state. If you fail to disclose your social security number/ITIN, your application for initial or renewal licensure will not be processed and you will be reported to the Franchise Tax Board, which may assess a $100 penalty against you.

**ev 07/2016**
NURSE PRACTITIONER
ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY COURSE VERIFICATION

In order to furnish drugs and/or devices pursuant to Business and Professions Code, Section 2836.1, the Nurse Practitioner must complete a California Board of Registered Nursing approved advanced pharmacology course. The criteria for the advanced pharmacology course is listed on the two (2) page attachment.

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The above applicant has applied for a Nurse Practitioner furnishing number in California. Please provide the following information and mail to the California Board of Registered Nursing at the above address. The criteria for the advanced pharmacology course is listed on the two (2) page attachment.

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- Was a separate course? YES NO
- If YES, specify the course title:
- If NO, was integrated in the program curriculum? YES NO

**Equivalent to:**

- 3 semester units: YES NO
- 5 quarter units: YES NO
- 45 hours: YES NO

The drugs or devices are furnished or ordered by a Nurse Practitioner in accordance with standardized procedures or protocols developed when the drugs or devices furnished or ordered are consistent with the practitioner's educational preparation or for which clinical competency has been established and maintained.

**The Advanced Pharmacology course includes the key points and course objectives listed on the two (2) page attachment.**

**I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.**

**SIGNATURE:** ____________________________ (DATE)

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NURSE PRACTITIONER ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY COURSE FOR FURNISHING

These revised guidelines are established for Nurse Practitioner programs who offer advanced pharmacology courses in order to meet Furnishing requirements.

MINIMUM COURSE OFFERINGS

- A post-RN licensure advanced pharmacology course based on the RN’s previous knowledge of pharmacology and pharmacotherapeutics.
- A three (3) semester units or five (5) quarter units academic course.

KEY POINTS:

The advanced pharmacology course must include:

- The mechanism for ongoing communication between the student and course instructor.
- The requirements for approved standardized procedures to be in place prior to beginning practice.
- The requirements to furnish drugs/devices pursuant to a standardized procedure.
- The furnishing responsibility for Schedule II, III, IV V controlled substances that are to be furnished with a patient specific protocol in compliance with Health and Safety Code section 11056 for NPs.
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- The Pharmacy Rules and Regulations for NPs and CNMs, Health & Safety Codes and OBRA 1990 Section 48240, Federal Register.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. Uses the data base obtained from the health assessment of the client to identify an appropriate therapeutic regimen, including drugs and/or devices.
2. Uses knowledge of pharmacokinetics when developing a therapeutic regimen that maximizes the therapeutic effectiveness while minimizing adverse reactions.
3. Uses knowledge of pharmacodynamics to observe the effects of drugs and/or devices on a client; to predict the client’s response; and to understand the effects of the drugs and/or devices.
4. Evaluates the response and compliance of the client to the drugs and/or devices and implement appropriate action.
5. Provides appropriate client education regarding the furnished drugs and/or devices.
6. Furnishes drugs and/or devices pursuant to standardized procedures and in conformance with applicable laws, codes and/or regulations. Includes knowledge of Pharmacy rules and regulations, Health & Safety Code and Federal Register.
7. Examines appropriate guidelines for the pharmacological management of selected health care syndromes/diseases commonly encountered with awareness of client’s nutrition, culture, ethnicity and socioeconomic status.
8. Uses knowledge and awareness of the role of herbal and natural remedies while treating disease states.
Advanced Pharmacology Enabling Objectives have been developed through public input and are available upon request.

FACTOR QUALIFICATIONS
All stated qualifications must be met by the faculty, include Directors and instructors.
- Current, valid and clear license to practice in the appropriate discipline.
- Demonstrates expertise in the theoretical and clinical aspects of pharmacology/pharmacotherapeutics.
- Possesses at least two years of experience in the teaching of advanced pharmacology.
- Includes a faculty member who has completed a doctoral level pharmacology/pharmacotherapeutics degree.
- Demonstrates evidence of advanced clinical practice within the past five years applying the principles of advanced pharmacology.

ADVANCED PHARMACOLOGY ENABLING OBJECTIVES
- Defines and verbalizes an understanding of the terminology of advanced pharmacology. (Vocabulary list to be included)
- Identifies sources of drugs and provides examples of drugs from each drug source.
- Describes the “targets” of drugs.
- Describes the pharmacokinetic process of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion.
- Identifies factors that alter the processes of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion.
- Analyzes how the body’s acid base environment affects the pharmacokinetic process of absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion of drugs.
- Describes variables that determine the correct dosage of drugs.
- Defines half-life and explains the importance of a drug’s half-life in a therapeutic drug regimen.
- Describes factors that influence a drug’s half-life.
- Analyzes the relationship between drugs and their physiological and pathophysiological responses.
- Understands the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic effects of broad categories of drugs, i.e., antibiotics, antihypertensives, and narcotics, etc. used to treat specific conditions.
- Uses data obtained during a chart audit to identify appropriate drug choices and alternatives, and recognizes the role of herbal and natural remedies in the treatment of health and disease states.
- Based upon the principles of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics, identifies the indications, rationales, and mechanisms of action for drugs and corticosteroids used to treat specific conditions.
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- Performs appropriate monitoring before, during, and after specific drug regimens.
- Monitors efficacy of drugs; evaluates the response and compliance of the client to the drugs/devices and provides intervention for side effects, and manages adverse events that may occur.
- Identifies drugs with narrow therapeutic range.
- Identifies appropriate methods to write and transmit prescriptions.
- Furnishes drugs pursuant to legal requirements, standardized procedures, ethical standards, and in compliance with health and safety codes.
- Identifies resources for drug information and uses the resources to maintain clinical competency for furnishing.
- Describes the essential components of client education re: medications including: name of medication/s frequency/time of doses, correct dosage/s to take, how to take the medication/s i.e., with or without food, what to do if a dose of a medication is missed, side effects to expect, and adverse event/s to report to the prescriber.
- Identifies factors that influence medication compliance.
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