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LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS NEW JERSEY BOARD OF NURSING

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.2 and 7.2

Biennial License Renewal; Educational Requirements for Certification; Biennial Certificate Renewal; Certificate Suspension; Reinstatement of Suspended Certificate; Inactive Status; Return from Inactive Status

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Adopted: October 7, 2016, by the Board of Nursing, Patricia Ann Murphy, Ph.D, APN, President.

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Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:

The official comment period ended August 5, 2016. The Board did not receive any comments.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because there are no Federal laws or standards applicable to the adopted amendments.

Full text of the adoption follows:

SUBCHAPTER 5. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF LICENSURE; LICENSE RENEWAL; FEE SCHEDULE

13:37-5.2 Biennial license renewal

(a)-(b) (No change.)

(c) The licensee shall submit the renewal application and pay the renewal fee and the alternative to discipline surcharge pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(a)6 and 12 prior to the date of expiration of the license. If the licensee does not renew the license prior to its expiration date, the license shall expire, but the licensee may renew it no later than 30 days

after its expiration date by submitting a renewal application and paying a renewal fee, a late fee, and the alternative to discipline surcharge pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(a)6, 7, and 12. A licensee who fails to renew the license within 30 days after the expiration date of the license shall be administratively suspended without a hearing.

(d) (No change.)

(e) A person seeking reinstatement within five years following an administrative suspension of a license pursuant to (c) above shall submit the following to the Board:

1. (No change.)

2. Payment of all past delinquent renewal fees as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(a)6 and the alternative to discipline surcharge fees as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(a)12;

3.-5. (No change.)

(f)-(h) (No change.)

(i) A licensee who elected inactive status and has been on inactive status for five years or less may be reinstated by the Board upon submission of the following:

1.-2. (No change.)

3. An affidavit of employment listing each job held during the period the licensee was on inactive status, which includes the name, address, and telephone number of each employer;

4. The alternative to discipline surcharge fee as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(a)12; and

5. (No change in text.)

(j) (No change.)

SUBCHAPTER 7. CERTIFICATION OF ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES

13:37-7.2 Educational requirements for certification

(a) An applicant for certification as an advanced practice nurse shall possess:

1. A masters or doctoral degree in nursing from a school accredited by a nursing accrediting association recognized by the U.S. Department of Education; or

2. A masters or doctoral degree in nursing and shall have completed a post-masters or post-doctoral program that focuses on an advanced practice nursing specialty from a school accredited by a nursing accrediting association recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

(b)-(d) (No change.)