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Adopted Amendment: N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5

Adopted Repeal and New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.8

Adopted Recodification: N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.3 and 6.4 as 8.1 and 8.2

Fee Schedule; Standards for Joint Protocols between Advanced Practice Nurses and Collaborating Physicians; Identification Tags; Renewal of Certification

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Adopted: November 5, 2010 by the Board of Nursing, Patricia Ann Murphy, Ph.D, APN, President.

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Federal Standards Statement

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

Full text of the adoption follows:

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

13:37-5.5 Fee schedule

- (a)-(d) (No change.)
- (e) The following fees shall be charged by the Board in connection with certification of forensic nurses-certified sexual assault:
- 1.-2. (No change.)
- 3. Renewal of certification (biennial)

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- 4. (No change.)

- (f) (No change.)

Recodify existing 13:37-6.3 and 6.4 as 8.1 and 8.2 (No change in text.)

SUBCHAPTER 9. FORENSIC NURSE--CERTIFIED SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM

13:37-9.8 Renewal of certification

- (a) All FN-CSA certificates shall be issued for a two-year certification period, which coincides with the FN-CSA's registered professional nurse licensure renewal period. An FN-CSA who seeks renewal of the certificate shall submit a renewal application and the biennial renewal fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5, prior to the expiration date of the certificate.
- (b) The Board shall send a notice of renewal to each FN-CSA at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the certificate. If the notice to renew is not sent at least 60 days prior to the expiration date, no monetary penalties or fines shall apply to the holder for any uncertified practice during the period following the certification expiration, not to exceed the number of days short of 60 before the renewals were issued.
- (c) If an FN-CSA does not renew the certificate prior to its expiration date, the FN-CSA may renew the certificate within 30 days of its expiration by submitting a renewal application and a renewal fee as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(e). If the FN-CSA has not paid a reinstatement fee for renewal of licensure as a registered professional nurse within the same biennial period, the FN-CSA shall pay, in addition to the renewal fee, the reinstatement fee from N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(e).
- (d) A certificate that is not renewed within 30 days of its expiration shall be administratively suspended. An individual who continues to practice with an administratively suspended certificate shall be deemed to be engaged in unlicensed practice.
- (e) An FN-CSA whose certificate has been administratively suspended for five years or less for nonpayment of a biennial renewal fee pursuant to (c) above may be reinstated by the Board upon completion of the following:
- 1. Payment of all past delinquent biennial renewal fees pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(e);
- 2. Submission of an affidavit of employment listing each job held during the period the certificate was suspended, including the name, address and telephone number of each employer; and
- 3. If the FN-CSA has not paid a reinstatement fee for licensure as a registered professional nurse within the same biennial period, the FN-CSA shall pay, in addition to the renewal fees, the reinstatement fee from N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(e).
- (f) An FN-CSA whose certificate has been administratively suspended for failure to renew for more than five years who wishes to have his or her certificate reinstated shall reapply for certification pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.3, including retaking and successfully completing:
- 1. An FN-CSA education course approved by the Board and the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.5;
- 2. The FN-CSA clinical requirements pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.6; and
- 3. The FN-CSA clinical examination given by an approved clinical examination facility pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.7(d).
- (g) An FN-CSA who has worked in another state as forensic nurse during the period of suspension shall be permitted to reinstate certification without meeting the requirement of (f) above if he or she submits an affidavit to the Board, from his or her employer, which indicates that he or she worked during the period of suspension as a forensic nurse in

the other state.

- (h) Renewal applications shall provide the FN-CSA with the option of either active or inactive status. An FN-CSA electing inactive status shall [page=195] pay the inactive certificate fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5 and shall not practice as an FN-CSA in New Jersey.
- (i) An FN-CSA who elected inactive status and has been on inactive status for five years or less may be reinstated by the Board upon completion of the following:
- 1. Payment of the active status fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5; and
- 2. Submission of an affidavit of employment listing each job held during the period the FN-CSA was on inactive status, including the name, address and telephone number of each employer.
- (j) An FN-CSA who has been on inactive status for more than five years who wishes to return to practice shall reapply for certification pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.3, including retaking and successfully completing:
- 1. An FN-CSA education course approved by the Board and the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.5;
- 2. The FN-CSA clinical requirements pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.6; and
- 3. The FN-CSA clinical examination given by an approved clinical examination facility pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-9.7(d).
- (k) An FN-CSA who has worked in another state as forensic nurse during the period of inactive status shall be permitted to reactivate certification without meeting the requirement of (j) above if he or she submits an affidavit to the Board, from his or her employer, which indicates that he or she worked during the period of inactive status as a forensic nurse in the other state.

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