

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-3, NRS 632.120, §4, NRS 632.120, 632.430 and 632.440.

A REGULATION relating to nursing; removing the requirement that applicants for certain licenses and certificates submit photographs of themselves; removing the requirement that a university or college that wishes to establish a program of nursing in Nevada submit proof of approval of the program by the system of universities or community colleges of the state in which it is accredited; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 632.155 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.155 1. An application must be completed and filed in the office of the Board at least 4 months before the date of the examination.

2. The application must be accompanied by:

(a) ~~[A 2-inch by 2-inch photograph of the applicant taken within the preceding 2 years;~~

~~—(b)]~~ A complete set of the applicant's fingerprints; and

~~[(e)]~~ (b) The appropriate fee.

3. Examinations will be offered at least once a year at a time and place determined by the Board.

4. The candidate must write the first examination within 90 days after receiving authorization from the Board to write the examination.

Sec. 2. NAC 632.167 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.167 1. A trainee who receives an application for certification to practice as a nursing assistant must submit to the Board the completed application not later than 6 weeks before the date of the competency evaluation test for which he is applying.

2. The application must be accompanied by:

(a) A copy of a certificate or transcript received by the applicant upon the completion of an approved program.

(b) ~~[A 2-inch by 2-inch photograph of himself taken within the preceding 2 years. The photograph may not be taken with a camera that produces pictures instantly.~~

~~—(c)]~~ The appropriate fee.

~~[(d)]~~ (c) A complete set of the applicant's fingerprints.

Sec. 3. NAC 632.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.170 In addition to the requirements set forth in NAC 632.173, to be licensed without examination:

1. An applicant for a license to practice as a registered nurse must:

(a) Have completed a course of study in an accredited school of professional nursing. If the applicant graduated on or after January 1, 1952, he must have theory and clinical experience in medical-surgical nursing, maternal and child health nursing and mental health and psychiatric nursing.

(b) Hold a current license in good standing from another state or foreign country which was issued by a recognized legal agency.

(c) Submit to the Board:

(1) A completed application;

(2) ~~[A 2-inch by 2-inch photograph of himself taken within the preceding 2 years;~~

~~—(3)~~ A complete set of his fingerprints; and

~~[(4)]~~ (3) The appropriate fee.

2. An applicant for a license to practice as a licensed practical nurse must:

(a) Have graduated from high school or passed the general educational development test.

(b) Have completed a course of study in an accredited school of practical or vocational nursing. If the applicant graduated on or after January 1, 1952, he must have theory and clinical experience in medical-surgical nursing and maternal-child nursing, including mental health concepts.

(c) Hold a current license in good standing from another state or country which was issued by a recognized legal agency.

(d) Submit to the Board:

(1) A completed application;

(2) ~~[(A 2-inch by 2-inch photograph of himself taken within the preceding 2 years;]~~

~~—(3)~~ A complete set of his fingerprints; and

~~[(4)]~~ (3) The appropriate fee.

3. An applicant for certification to practice as a nursing assistant must:

(a) Submit to the Board ~~[(~~

~~—(1) A] a~~ completed application accompanied by a complete set of his fingerprints. ~~[(; and~~

~~—(2) A 2-inch by 2-inch photograph of himself taken within the preceding 2 years.]~~

(b) Request and confirm receipt by the Board of verification from the appropriate agency that he holds a current certificate to practice as a nursing assistant.

Sec. 4. NAC 632.605 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.605 1. A university or college which wishes to establish a program of nursing in this State must submit an application to the Board. The Board will prescribe the form for the application.

2. The administrator of the program shall submit to the Board, at least 6 months before the program is offered, a statement of intent which must include:

(a) ~~Proof that the program is approved by the system of universities or community colleges of the state in which it is accredited;~~

~~(b)}~~ The results of a survey which demonstrates the need for the program of nursing;

~~(c)}~~ (b) The type of program which will be offered;

~~(d)}~~ (c) The name and status of the accreditation of the institution offering the program;

~~(e)}~~ (d) The relationship of the program of nursing to that institution;

~~(f)}~~ (e) Evidence of budgetary support;

~~(g)}~~ (f) The projected enrollment;

~~(h)}~~ (g) Evidence that a sufficient number of qualified members of the faculty are available to conduct the program;

~~(i)}~~ (h) A description of the proposed clinical facilities to be used;

~~(j)}~~ (i) The resources available at the site of the program;

~~(k)}~~ (j) The proposed schedule for beginning the program; and

~~(l)}~~ (k) Any additional information requested by the Board.