## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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AN ACT RELATING TO nursing,

**Section 1.** Chapter 632 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as

follows:

## NAC 632.291 Requirements for renewal of license; issuance of temporary license; audits by Board to ensure compliance with certain requirements. (NRS 632.120, 632.237)

- 1. When he or she renews his or her license, an advanced practice registered nurse must submit, on forms supplied by the Board:
  - (a) An attestation that the advanced practice registered nurse:
    - (1) Has not been named as a defendant in any malpractice suits;
    - (2) Has never had his or her clinical privileges limited, suspended or revoked; and
- (3) Has completed satisfactorily 45 hours of continuing education directly related to his or her role or population of focus, which, if the advanced practice registered nurse has the authority to prescribe controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs, or devices pursuant to NRS 632.237, must include at least two hours that relate to the misuse and abuse of controlled substances, the prescribing of opioids, or addiction. The continuing education required under this section may include the requirements for continuing education for renewal of a license for a registered nurse.
- (b) If the advanced practice registered nurse completes a program designed to prepare an advanced practice registered nurse on or after July 1, 2014, proof that the advanced practice registered nurse has maintained certification as an advanced practice registered nurse by an entity described in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (f) of subsection 1 of NAC 632.260.
  - (c) Any other information required by the Board.
- 2. If an advanced practice registered nurse attests in the affirmative to subparagraphs (1) and (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1, a temporary license may be issued until the next meeting of the Board.
- 3. The Board will perform random audits of advanced practice registered nurses to ensure compliance with the continuing education requirements of this section and compliance with the requirement to maintain a portfolio pursuant to NAC 632.2563.
  - 4. If audited by the Board, an advanced practice registered nurse shall submit:
- (a) Proof that he or she has completed the continuing education described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 during the 24 months which immediately precede the most recent birthday of the advanced practice registered nurse by presenting to the Board authenticated photocopies of

original certificates of completion or computer printouts from approved providers of continuing education. A certificate of completion must include, without limitation:

- (1) The title of the course;
- (2) The name of the provider of the course;
- (3) The name of the body which approved the course;
- (4) The date on which the course was presented;
- (5) The name and license number of the advanced practice registered nurse; and
- (6) The number of contact hours earned in the course.
- (b) The portfolio required to be maintained pursuant to NAC 632.2563.
- (c) Proof that the advanced practice registered nurse has maintained licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse pursuant to NAC 632.2597.
- 5. An advanced practice registered nurse shall retain documentation of completion of the requirements for continuing education for at least 4 years.