

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE HEALTH DIVISION

The following proposed amendments to chapter 652 of NAC were brought before the public during workshops held on February 23 and 26, 1998. It is planned that they will come before the State Board of Health at its April 10, 1998, meeting.

Material in brackets [] is to be deleted.

Material underlined is new language.

652.180 Certificate of registration for laboratory operated by licensed physician:

Issuance; renewal.

1. The bureau shall issue a certificate of registration to each laboratory which registers with the health division pursuant to NRS 652.235. A certificate of registration issued pursuant to this section [**expires annually**] is effective for two years from the date of issue.

2. An application for renewal of a certificate must be on a form provided by the bureau.

3. The failure to apply for renewal within 30 days after a certificate expires will result in termination of the laboratory's authority to operate in this state.

4. Upon acceptance of an application for renewal, the bureau shall provide the laboratory with a new certificate of registration.

652.220 Director's license: Term. A license as a director [**expires annually**] is effective for two years from the date of issue.

652.455 Continuing education: Prerequisites to renewal of license or certificate.

1. Each director, general supervisor, technologist, technician, and pathologist's assistant licensed or certified pursuant to this chapter shall complete [**1**] 2 unit of continuing education within [**the**] two years immediately preceding the application for renewal of his license or certificate. At least one-half of the unit must be from approved courses.

2. Each laboratory assistant or blood-gas assistant shall complete [0.5] 1.0 unit[s] of continuing education within [the] two years immediately preceding the application for renewal of his certificate.

652.470 Certification of personnel.

1. Before working in a laboratory at any technical level:

(a) An application for certification must be made on a form provided by the bureau giving information on the applicant's educational background;

(b) Substantiating documents such as college or other academic transcripts or copies of certificates of registration should accompany the application, but must be submitted within 6 months of the date of the application;

(c) The form must indicate the level and title for which certification is desired; and

(d) A fee, which is not refundable, must accompany the application.

2. Temporary employment, for a period not exceeding 6 months, may be granted while the application is being processed, or when the applicant has been issued a provisional certificate.

3. The bureau shall issue the appropriate certificate on behalf of the board when it is determined that all requirements for certification are satisfied. Applications which are incomplete or require further review must be referred to the committee for its recommendation.

4. Certified personnel may upgrade their classification after completing the appropriate additional experience, training, academic requirements, or any combination thereof, by applying to the board pursuant to subsection 1.

5. A person whose certification has lapsed may reapply for certification by submitting an original application to the bureau accompanied by the required fee.

6. A copy of this section will be provided upon request to persons who are certified on or after September 6, 1988.

7. A certificate may be placed in an inactive status upon the approval of the health division and the payment of inactive status fee.

652.476 Renewal of certification.

1. A person certified pursuant to NAC 652.470 who wishes to renew his certification must submit to the bureau a completed form for renewal. The bureau shall, not less than 90 days before the expiration of the certificate, provide to the holder of the certificate the proper form for renewal.

2. The form for renewal must include a request for information regarding the current residence of the person holding the certificate.

3. The form for renewal must be accompanied by the fee for renewal.

4. A certificate issued pursuant to this section [**expires annually**] is effective for two years from the date of issue. Failure to apply for renewal within 30 days after the certificate expires will result in the termination of the holder's authority to work in a laboratory at a technical level.

652.488 Fees. The following nonrefundable fees will be charged:

1. Licensure of laboratory

Initial:

Annual test volume less than 25,000\$350

Annual test volume at least 25,000 but less than 100,000500

Annual test volume 100,000 or more750

Annual renewal:

Annual test volume less than 25,000200

Annual test volume at least 25,000 but less than 100,000	300
Annual test volume 100,000 or more	400
Inspection conducted pursuant to NAC 652.320	150
Reinstatement:	
Annual test volume less than 25,000	350
Annual test volume at least 25,000 but less than 100,000	500
Annual test volume 100,000 or more	750
<u>Location change</u>	<u>160</u>
<u>Director change</u>	<u>160</u>
<u>Addition of tests (specialties/sub-specialties)</u>	<u>160 + 50 per specialty/sub-specialties</u>
2. Licensure of director	
Initial	[\$175] <u>\$250</u>
[Annual] <u>Biennial</u> renewal	[75] <u>150</u>
Reinstatement	[175] <u>250</u>
3. Registration of laboratory	
Initial	[\$150] <u>300</u>
[Annual] <u>Biennial</u> renewal	[75] <u>200</u>
Reinstatement	[150] <u>300</u>
Inspection pursuant to NAC 652.320	[50] <u>100</u>
<u>Location change</u>	<u>160</u>
<u>Director change</u>	<u>160</u>
<u>Addition of tests (specialties/sub-specialties)</u>	<u>160 + 50 per specialty/sub-specialties</u>
Registration pursuant to NRS 652.235	[20] <u>100</u>

Biennial renewal50

4. Certification of personnel

Initial:

General supervisor[\$100] 150

Technologist.....[50] 75

Technician.....[50] 75

Laboratory, blood-gas, or office laboratory assistant[25] 40

[Annual] Biennial renewal:

General supervisor[50] 100

Technologist.....[25] 50

Technician[25] 50

Laboratory, blood-gas, or office laboratory assistant[15] 30

Reinstatement:

General supervisor[100] 150

Technologist.....[50] 75

Technician[50] 75

Laboratory, blood-gas, or office laboratory assistant[25] 40

[5. Reissuance of lost license or certificate..... \$20]

[6] 5. Issuance of original duplicate license or certificate\$20

6. Inactive status.....\$20

[6] 7. Permit to operate laboratory at temporary location.....\$35