



Notice of Proposed Changes in the Regulations of the Alaska Board of Nursing

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will this regulation do?

12 AAC 44.320. This change will create a process for the board to issue temporary nonrenewable permits to an applicant for a reinstated license – this will allow a previously licensed nurse to be eligible for a temporary permit during the reinstatement process.

12 AAC 44.740. This change will clarify the intent of the board for when a licensee may participate in an alternative probation program.

2. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

There is no expected cost to comply with the proposed regulations.

3. What are the positive and negative consequences of the regulations?

12 AAC 44.320. This will have a positive impact for nurses and employers, as more nurses will be added to the workforce earlier.

The only negative consequence would be if a nurse was found ineligible for licensure after working with a temporary permit. The positive outweighs rare occurrence of ineligibility of re-licensure.

12 AAC 44.740. This change will add clarity to the regulations, which is positive.

There are no negative consequences to this proposed change.

4. What is the cost for the temporary nonrenewable permit for reinstatement?

There will be no additional cost.

5. How long will the temporary permit be valid?

The temporary permit will be valid for six months or until full licensure is received, whichever is sooner, and is nonrenewable.

6. What happens if a nurse is hired with a temporary permit but does not receive a permanent license?

The nurse would be ineligible to work as a nurse.

7. When will the regulations be effective?

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Board for consideration. The Board may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Board action, the adopted regulations go to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulation takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

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