

Chapter 05. Acupuncture.

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted. Complete new sections are not in boldface or underlined.)

12 AAC 05.100(b)(3) is amended to read:

(3) official verification of a license **sent directly to the department from** [IN] each jurisdiction where the applicant holds or has **ever** held a license to practice acupuncture; the verification must include information on any disciplinary proceedings or unresolved complaints against the applicant;

12 AAC 05.100(b)(4) is amended to read:

(4) a certified copy of the applicant's diplomate **of acupuncture** certificate issued by the **National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM)** [NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CERTIFICATION OF ACUPUNCTURISTS (NCCA)] or a letter from the **NCCAOM** [NCCA] verifying that the applicant is qualified for a diplomate **of acupuncture** certificate. (Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am ___/___/___, Register ___)

Authority: AS 08.06.020 AS 08.06.030 AS 08.06.100

12 AAC 05.110 is amended to read:

12 AAC 05.110. Approved school of acupuncture. To be approved by the department, a school of acupuncture must be recognized by the **Council of Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (CCAOM)** [NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ACUPUNCTURE SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES] or the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine

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(ACAOM). (Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am 12/2/99, Register 152; am ___/___/___, Register ___)

Authority: AS 08.06.030 AS 08.06.100

12 AAC 05.200(b)(3) is repealed:

(3) repealed ___/___/___ [SUBMIT PROOF OF CURRENT CERTIFICATION AS REQUIRED BY AS 08.06.040];

(Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am ___/___/___, Register ___)

Authority: AS 08.01.100 AS 08.06.040 AS 08.06.100

12 AAC 05.210(a) is amended to read:

(a) An applicant for renewal of a license to practice acupuncture shall document completion of **one of the following:** [15 CONTACT HOURS OF CONTINUING COMPETENCY ACTIVITIES ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT WAS EARNED DURING THE CONCLUDING LICENSING PERIOD]

(1) certification as a diplomate in acupuncture by the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) during the entire concluding licensing period; or

(2) 15 Professional Development Activity (PDA) points earned solely in Core Competency activities in acupuncture as defined by the NCCAOM during the concluding licensing period.

Authority: AS 08.06.040 AS 08.06.100

12 AAC 05.210(c) is repealed:

(c) Repealed ____/____/____. [FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,

(1) ONE CONTACT HOUR EQUALS A MINIMUM OF 50 MINUTES OF CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION BETWEEN INSTRUCTOR AND PARTICIPANT;

(2) ONE ACADEMIC SEMESTER CREDIT EQUALS 15 CONTACT HOURS;

AND

(3) ONE ACADEMIC QUARTER CREDIT EQUALS 10 CONTACT HOURS.]

(Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 08.06.040 AS 08.06.100

12 AAC 05.220 is repealed and readopted to read:

12 AAC 05.220. Approved continuing competency activities. To be accepted by the department, continuing competency activities under 12 AAC 05.210(a)(2) must be designated a Core Competency Professional Development Activity in acupuncture by the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM). (Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 08.06.040 AS 08.06.100

Editor's note: The National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine may be contacted at 2025 M Street North West, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036; telephone: (888)381-1140; website: www.nccaom.org.

12 AAC 05.230 is repealed and readopted to read:

12 AAC 05.230. Audit of continuing competency requirements. (a) The department will audit renewal applications in accordance with 12 AAC 02.960, to monitor compliance with the continuing competency requirements of 12 AAC 05.210 and 12 AAC 05.220. (Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am ___/___/___, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.06.040 AS 08.06.100

12 AAC 05.990(2) is repealed:

(2) repealed ___/___/___; [“NCCA” MEANS THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CERTIFICATION OF ACUPUNCTURISTS;]

12 AAC 05.990(3) is repealed:

(3) repealed ___/___/___. [“NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CERTIFICATION OF ACUPUNCTURISTS” MEANS THE SAME AS THE “NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF ACUPUNCTURISTS IN AS 08.06.030 AND AS 08.06.040.] (Eff. 2/8/95, Register 133; am ___/___/___, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.06.100