



State Continuing Education Requirements

Alabama Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: 24 contact hours for every 2-year renewal period

Alaska Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

Two of the following:

30 contact hours

30 hours of professional nursing activities

320 hours of nursing employment

Arizona State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Arkansas State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

If your active license is to be renewed between July 1, 2003, and June 30, 2004, you must have completed 8 practice-focused continuing education contact hours.

If your active license is to be renewed after July 1, 2004, you must have completed 15 practice-focused continuing education contact hours.

California State Board of Registered Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

30 contact hours per renewal period

Colorado Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Delaware Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

30 contact hours every renewal period

District of Columbia Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None currently required.

Florida Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

3 hours HIV/AIDS for initial licensure

25 contact hours every renewal period, including 1 hour on HIV/AIDS and 1 hour domestic violence

Georgia Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Hawaii Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Idaho Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Illinois Department of Professional Regulation

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Indiana State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Iowa Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

For renewal of a three year license, 45 contact hours.

For renewal of a license that has been issued for less than three years, 30 contact hours.

Kansas State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

30 contact hours each renewal period for nurses at all levels of practice.

Kentucky Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: 30 contact hours every 2 years; 2 of the 30 hours must be AIDS CE

Louisiana State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs: 5, 10, or 15 contact hours every year, based on employment

Maine State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Maryland Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None.

Massachusetts Nursing State Board

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: 15 contact hours every renewal period

Michigan CIS/Office of Health Services

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: 25 contact hours every renewal period

Minnesota Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs: 24 contact hours every renewal period LPNs: 12 contact hours every renewal period

Mississippi Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: None

Missouri State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Montana State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: None

Nebraska Health and Human Services System

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs: 20 contact hours every renewal period

Nevada State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: 30 contact hours every renewal period

New Hampshire Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

All nurses: 30 contact hours every renewal period

New Jersey Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: None

New Mexico Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

All nurses: 30 contact hours every renewal period

New York State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

2-hour course on child-abuse (one time requirement for registration)

4-hour course on infection control every 4 years

North Carolina Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

North Dakota Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Ohio Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: 24 contact hours per renewal period

Oklahoma Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Oregon State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: None

Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Rhode Island Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

South Carolina State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

South Dakota Board of Nursing

Continuing education requirements:

None

Tennessee State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Texas Board of Nurse Examiners

Continuing Education Requirements:

20 contact hours per renewal period

Utah State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs: Have practiced not less than 400 hours during 2 years preceding application for renewal, or have completed 30 contact hours, or have practiced not less than 200 hours and completed 15 contact hours during 2 years preceding application for renewal.

Vermont State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Virginia Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission

Continuing Education Requirements:

RNs and LPNs: None

West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses

Continuing Education Requirements:

30 contact hours per renewal period

Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing

Continuing Education Requirements:

None

Wyoming State Board of Nursing

Continuing Education Requirements:

20 contact hours, or 500 practice hours every two years, or 1600 practice hours every five years, or a refresher program.

The above information is subject to change, so it is useful to keep abreast of licensure renewal requirements through your individual state board of nursing.

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