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4730-1-06.1 **Military provisions related to certificate to practice as a physician assistant.**

(A) Definitions

(1) "Armed forces" means any of the following:

(a) The armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, and coast guard;

(b) A reserve component of the armed forces listed in paragraph (A)(1)(a) of this rule;

(c) The national guard, including the Ohio national guard or the national guard of any other state;

(d) The commissioned corps of the United States public health service;

(e) The merchant marine service during wartime;

(f) Such other service as may be designated by Congress; or

(g) The Ohio organized militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period of more than thirty days.

(2) "Board" means the state medical board of Ohio.

(B) Education and service for eligibility for licensure.

In accordance with section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, the following military programs of training, military primary specialties, and lengths of service are substantially equivalent to or exceed the educational and experience requirements for licensure as a physician assistant and for the certificate to prescribe:

(1) An individual serving in a military primary specialty listed in paragraph (B)(2) of this rule must be a graduate of a physician assistant education program approved by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant.

(2) Service in one of the following military primary specialties for at least three consecutive years while on active duty, with evidence of service under honorable conditions, including any experience attained while practicing as a physician assistant at a health care facility or clinic operated by the United States department of veterans affairs, may be substituted for a master's degree for eligibility for a license to practice as a physician assistant and for a certificate to prescribe, pursuant to sections 4730.11 and 4730.44 of the Revised Code:

(a) Army: MOS 65D;

(b) Navy: NOBC 0113;

(c) Air Force: AFSC 42G;

(d) The national guard of Ohio or any state;

(e) Marine: Physician assistant services are provided by Navy personnel;

(f) Coast Guard;

(g) Public Health Service.

(C) Renewal of an expired license without a late fee or re-examination.

(1) An expired license to practice as a physician assistant shall be renewed upon payment of the biennial renewal fee provided in section 4730.14 of the Revised Code and without a late fee or re-examination if the holder meets all of the following three requirements:

(a) The licensee is not otherwise disqualified from renewal because of mental or physical disability;

(b) The licensee meets the requirements for renewal under section 4730.14 of the Revised Code;

(c) Either of the following situations applies:

(i) The license was not renewed because of the licensee's service in the armed forces, or

(ii) The license was not renewed because the licensee's spouse served in the armed forces, and the service resulted in the licensee's absence from this state.

(d) The licensee or the licensee's spouse, whichever is applicable, has presented satisfactory evidence of the service member's discharge under honorable conditions or release under honorable conditions from active duty or national guard duty within six months after the discharge or release.

(2) Pursuant to Section 4730.48 of the Revised Code, a certificate to prescribe expires on the same date as the physician assistant's license to practice as a physician assistant. There is no late fee or examination requirement for late renewal.

(D) Continuing education.

(1) Extension of the continuing education period for the licensure to practice as a physician assistant or for the certificate to prescribe:

(a) The holder of a physician assistant license or certificate to prescribe may apply for an extension of the current continuing education reporting period in the manner provided in section 5903.12 of the Revised Code by submitting both of the following:

(i) A statement that the licensee has served on active duty, whether inside or outside of the United States, for a period in excess of thirty-one days during the current continuing education reporting period.

(ii) Proper documentation certifying the active duty service and the length of that active duty service.

(b) Upon receiving the application and proper documentation, the board shall extend the current continuing education reporting period by an amount of time equal to the total number of months that the licensee spent on active duty during the current continuing education reporting period. Any portion of a month served shall be considered one full month.

(2) The board shall consider relevant education, training, or service completed by a licensee as a member of the armed forces in determining whether a licensee has met the continuing education requirements needed to renew the license or the certificate to prescribe.

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Military provisions related to certificate to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant.

(A) Definitions.

(1) "Armed forces" means any of the following:

(a) The armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, or coast guard;

(b) A reserve component of the armed forces listed in paragraph (A)(1)(a) of this rule;

(c) The national guard, including the Ohio national guard or the national guard of any other state;

(d) The commissioned corps of the United States public health service;

(e) The merchant marine service during wartime;

(f) Such other service as may be designated by Congress; or

(g) The Ohio organized militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period of more than thirty days.

(2) "Board" means the state medical board of Ohio.

(B) Eligibility for licensure.

For the purposes of section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, the board has determined that there are no military programs of training, military primary specialties, or lengths of service that are substantially equivalent to or exceed the educational and experience requirements for licensure as an anesthesiologist assistant.

(C) Renewal of an expired license.

An expired license to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant shall be renewed upon payment of the biennial renewal fee provided in section 4760.06 of the Revised Code and without a late fee or re-examination if the holder meets all of the following requirements:

(1) The licensee is not otherwise disqualified from renewal because of mental or physical disability;

(2) The licensee meets the requirements for renewal under section 4760.06 of the Revised Code;

(3) Either of the following situations applies:

- (a) The license was not renewed because of the licensee's service in the armed forces, or
- (b) The license was not renewed because the licensee's spouse served in the armed forces, and the service resulted in the licensee's absence from this state.
- (4) The licensee or the licensee's spouse, whichever is applicable, has presented satisfactory evidence of the service member's discharge under honorable conditions or release under honorable conditions from active duty or national guard duty within six months after the discharge or release.
- (D) For purposes of sections 5903.12 and 5903.121 of the Revised Code, anesthesiologist assistants are not required to report continuing education coursework to the board.

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4762-1-01

Military provisions related to certificate to practice acupuncture or oriental medicine.

(A) Definitions.

(1) "Armed forces" means any of the following:

(a) The armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, or coast guard;

(b) A reserve component of the armed forces listed in paragraph (A)(1)(a) of this rule;

(c) The national guard, including the Ohio national guard or the national guard of any other state.

(d) The commissioned corps of the United States public health service;

(e) The merchant marine service during wartime;

(f) Such other service as may be designated by Congress; or

(g) The Ohio organized militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period of more than thirty days.

(2) "Board" means the state medical board of Ohio.

(B) Eligibility for licensure.

In accordance with section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, the board has determined that there are no military programs of training, military primary specialties, and lengths of service that are substantially equivalent to or exceed the educational and experience requirements for licensure as an acupuncturist or oriental medicine practitioner.

(C) Renewal of an expired license.

An expired license to practice acupuncture or oriental medicine shall be renewed upon payment of the biennial renewal fee provided in section 4762.06 of the Revised Code and without a late fee or re-examination if the holder meets all of the following requirements:

(1) The licensee is not otherwise disqualified from renewal because of mental or physical disability;

(2) The licensee meets the requirements for renewal of the applicable licensure type under Section 4762.06 of the Revised Code;

(3) Either of the following situations applies:

(a) The license was not renewed because of the licensee's service in the armed forces, or

(b) The license was not renewed because the licensee's spouse served in the armed forces, and the service resulted in the licensee's absence from this state.

(4) The licensee or the licensee's spouse, whichever is applicable, has presented satisfactory evidence of the service member's discharge under honorable conditions or release under honorable conditions from active duty or national guard duty within six months after the discharge or release.

(D) Extension of the continuing education period.

(1) An oriental medicine practitioner may apply for an extension of the current continuing education reporting period in the manner provided in section 5903.12 of the Revised Code.

(a) The licensee shall submit both of the following:

(i) A statement that the licensee has served on active duty, whether inside or outside of the United States, for a period in excess of thirty-one days during the current continuing education reporting period.

(ii) Proper documentation certifying the active duty service and the length of that active duty service.

(b) Upon receiving the application and proper documentation, the board shall extend the current continuing education reporting period by an amount of time equal to the total number of months that the licensee spent on active duty during the current continuing education reporting period. Any portion of a month served shall be considered one full month.

(2) An acupuncturist is not required to report continuing education coursework to the board.

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4774-1-02.1

Military provisions related to certificate to practice as a radiologist assistant.

(A) Definitions

(1) "Armed forces" means any of the following:

(a) The armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, and coast guard;

(b) A reserve component of the armed forces listed in paragraph (A)(1)(a) of this rule;

(c) The national guard, including the Ohio national guard or the national guard of any other state;

(d) The commissioned corps of the United States public health service;

(e) The merchant marine service during wartime;

(f) Such other service as may be designated by Congress; or

(g) The Ohio organized militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period of more than thirty days.

(2) "Board" means the state medical board of Ohio.

(B) Eligibility for licensure

For the purposes of section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, the board has determined that there are no military programs of training, military primary specialties, or lengths of service that are substantially equivalent to or exceed the educational and experience requirements for licensure as a radiologist assistant.

(C) Renewal of an expired license

An expired license to practice as a radiologist assistant shall be renewed upon payment of the biennial renewal fee provided in section 4774.06 of the Revised Code and without a late fee or re-examination if the holder meets all of the following three requirements

(1) The licensee is not otherwise disqualified from renewal because of mental or physical disability;

(2) The licensee meets the requirements for renewal under section 4774.06 of the Revised Code;

(3) Either of the following situations applies:

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- (a) The license was not renewed because of the licensee's service in the armed forces, or
 - (b) The license was not renewed because the licensee's spouse served in the armed forces, and the service resulted in the licensee's absence from this state.
 - (4) The licensee or the licensee's spouse, whichever is applicable, has presented satisfactory evidence of the service member's discharge under honorable conditions or release under honorable conditions from active duty or national guard duty within six months after the discharge or release.
- (D) For purposes of sections 5903.12 and 5903.121 of the Revised Code, radiologist assistants are not required to report continuing education coursework to the board.

4778-1-02.1

Military provisions related to certificate to practice as a genetic counselor.

(A) Definitions

(1) "Armed forces" means any of the following:

(a) The armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, marine corps, and coast guard;

(b) A reserve component of the armed forces listed in paragraph (A)(1)(a) of this rule;

(c) The national guard, including the Ohio national guard or the national guard of any other state;

(d) The commissioned corps of the United States public health service;

(e) The merchant marine service during wartime;

(f) Such other service as may be designated by Congress; or

(g) The Ohio organized militia when engaged in full-time national guard duty for a period of more than thirty days.

(2) "Board" means the state medical board of Ohio.

(B) Eligibility for licensure.

For the purposes of section 5903.03 of the Revised Code, the board has determined that there are no military programs of training, military primary specialties, or lengths of service that are substantially equivalent to or exceed the educational and experience requirements for licensure as a genetic counselor.

(C) Renewal of an expired license.

An expired license to practice as a genetic counselor shall be renewed upon payment of the biennial renewal fee provided in section 4778.06 of the Revised Code and without a late fee or re-examination if the holder meets all of the following three requirements:

(1) The licensee is not otherwise disqualified from renewal because of mental or physical disability;

(2) The licensee meets the requirements for renewal under section 4778.06 of the Revised Code;

(3) Either of the following situations applies:

- (a) The license was not renewed because of the licensee's service in the armed forces, or
- (b) The license was not renewed because the licensee's spouse served in the armed forces, and the service resulted in the licensee's absence from this state.
- (4) The licensee or the licensee's spouse, whichever is applicable, has presented satisfactory evidence of the service member's discharge under honorable conditions or release under honorable conditions from active duty or national guard duty within six months after the discharge or release.

(D) Extension of the continuing education period.

- (1) The holder of a genetic counselor license may apply for an extension of the current continuing education reporting period in the manner provided in section 5903.12 of the Revised Code by submitting both of the following:
 - (a) A statement that the licensee has served on active duty, whether inside or outside of the United States, for a period in excess of thirty-one days during the current continuing education reporting period.
 - (b) Proper documentation certifying the active duty service and the length of that active duty service.
- (2) Upon receiving the application and proper documentation, the board shall extend the current continuing education reporting period by an amount of time equal to the total number of months that the licensee spent on active duty during the current continuing education reporting period. Any portion of a month served shall be considered one full month.

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Processing applications from service members, veterans, or spouses of service members or veterans.

(A) The board shall include questions on all applications for licensure, biennial renewal, or restoration of licensure that inquire as to whether the applicant is:

(1) A service member;

(2) A veteran; or

(3) The spouse or surviving spouse of a service member or veteran.

(B) If the applicant for licensure, biennial renewal submitted by regular mail, or restoration of licensure responds affirmatively to any of the questions discussed in paragraph (A) of this rule, the board shall process the application in the following manner:

(1) Route the application to a board staff member who is responsible for monitoring the application and communicating with the applicant regarding the status of the application, including informing the applicant of any documentation needed for the board to process the application;

(2) Expedite the processing of the application, even if the application was received later in time than other applications that are pending processing;

(3) Provide information regarding available continuing education waivers to applicants if the applicant or their spouse will be imminently deployed;

(4) Request that the applicant who is seeking licensure as a physician assistant by meeting the requirements of division (C)(3) of section 4730.11 of the Revised Code or a certificate to prescribe by meeting the requirements of division (B)(4) of section 4730.44 of the Revised Code, submit documentation to the board demonstrating that the requirements of that section are met; and

(5) Track, on an annual basis, the total number of applications submitted by service members, veterans, spouses or surviving spouses of service members or veterans, and the average number of business days expended by the board to process those applications.

(C) For purposes of paragraph (B)(4) of this rule:

(1) Acceptable forms of documentation for the application for licensure as a physician assistant includes a document issued by the appropriate office of the armed forces, as that term is defined in section 5903.01 of the Revised Code, showing the applicant is a service member or veteran who has experience practicing as a physician assistant for at least three consecutive years while on active duty, with evidence of service under honorable conditions, in any of the armed forces.

(2) Acceptable forms of documentation for the applicant for a physician assistant's certificate to prescribe includes an affidavit from an appropriate office of the armed forces, as that term is defined in section 5903.01 of the Revised Code, attesting that the applicant has held valid authority to prescribe therapeutic devices and drugs, including at least some controlled substances during service in the armed forces.