

## Title 30: Professions and Occupations

### Part 2840: ADVANCED PRACTICE

#### Part 2840, Chapter 1: Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) include Certified Nurse Midwives, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, Certified Nurse Practitioners

##### Rule 1.1 Definitions of terms for Part 2840, Chapter 1.

- A. Administer: “Administer” shall have the same meaning as set forth in Miss. Code Ann. Section 41-29-105, unless the context otherwise requires.
- B. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN): Any person currently licensed to practice as a registered nurse in Mississippi or currently licensed to practice as registered nurse under the Nurse Licensure Compact with a multistate licensure privilege to practice in Mississippi, as well as holds a current State Certification as a certified nurse midwife (CNM), certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) or certified registered nurse practitioner (CNP). Certified registered nurse practitioners (CNPs) include acute, adult, pediatric, geriatric, family, psych-mental health, neonatal, and women's health.
- C. Board: The Mississippi Board of Nursing.
- D. Collaborating Physician: A physician or dentist who has an unrestricted license to practice in the state of Mississippi and has a compatible practice or practice site as the APRN.
- E. Contact Hour: Minimum of fifty (50) minutes of continuing education instruction.
  - 1) One (1) academic semester credit hour is equivalent to (15) contact hours.
  - U:2) One (1) academic quarter credit hour is equivalent to ten (10) contact hours.
- F. Continuing Education: A planned instructional experience provided by an accredited healthcare educational institution or a nationally accredited provider of healthcare continuing education that is designed to improve the knowledge, skill, and ability levels of healthcare professionals.
- D.G. Controlled Substance: “Controlled Substance” shall have the same meaning as set forth in Miss. Code Ann. Section 41-29-105, unless the context otherwise requires.
- E.H. DEA: United States Drug Enforcement Administration rules and regulations contained in Title 21 CFR, Part 1301 regarding the APRN's practice of prescribing controlled substances.
- E.I. Electronic prescribing/ E-prescribing: The electronic entry of a prescription by a practitioner, the secure electronic transmission of the prescription to a pharmacy, the receipt of an electronic message by the pharmacy and E-prescription renewal requests sent electronically by the pharmacy to the practitioner. Electronic transmissions may be computer to computer or computer to facsimile in accordance with DEA guidelines.
- G.J. Good Faith: The genuine interaction of a person or persons engaged in an agreement to deal honestly with one another.

H.K. Mississippi Prescription Monitoring Program (MPMP): The electronic system used to monitor the dispensing of controlled substances including Schedules II, III, IV and V, as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 73-21-127.

H.L. Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Plan: A formal quality assurance/quality improvement plan to be utilized by the advanced practice registered nurse, as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 73-15-20.

J.M. Formal Collaborative Agreement: An agreement between the APRN and the collaborating physician which designates specific practice sites.

K.N. Practice Site: The designated physical location in Mississippi which is the usual practice location as reported to the Board where the Board can conduct a site visit to evaluate the delivery of care by a licensee and compliance with laws and regulations regarding delivery of care by a licensee. This shall not include the patient's home.

L.O. Prescribe: To designate or order by means of either a written, electronic, faxed, or oral prescription, the delivery of a controlled substance or legend drug to an ultimate user.

M.P. Prescription/ Legend Drug: A drug required under federal law to be labeled with the following statement prior to being dispensed or delivered; Rx Only or Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," or a drug which is required by any applicable federal or state law or regulation to be dispensed on prescription only or is restricted to use only by those authorized to prescribe.

N.Q. Sample: A pre-packaged not-for-sale medication delivered to the provider by an authorized agent of the manufacturer for purposes of providing a patient with only enough medication to determine effectiveness in treating a diagnosed condition.

O.R. State Certification: The privilege to practice, as defined by MS Code Ann. §73-15-5, issued to APRNs to practice in Mississippi to the full scope of education, training, and certification.

S. State Certification Period: The period of time for which a State Certification may be valid. The State Certification Period is two (2) calendar years beginning January 01st of each odd-numbered year and expiring December 31st of each even-numbered year.

P.T. Ultimate User: "Ultimate User" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Miss. Code Ann. Section 41-29-105, unless the context otherwise requires.

Source: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-15-17 (1972, as amended).

*Rule 1.2 Certification, Renewal, Reinstatement, and Changes in Status.*

- A. Initial State Certification. Prior to Board certification allowing the RN to practice as an APRN, the RN must:
- 1) Be currently licensed as a RN in Mississippi or currently licensed to practice as registered nurse under the Nurse Licensure Compact with a multistate licensure privilege to practice in Mississippi.
  - 2) Comply with criminal background checks and fingerprinting requirements in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. Section 73-15-19 (1).
  - 3) Submit completed Board application via the online license management system.