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As of July 17, 2015 KBN records show:

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is an honor to serve the Commonwealth and its public as the President of the Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN). I want to thank KBN for this opportunity and introduce myself. I have lived in Kentucky my entire life and lived in May's Lick, KY for 34 years. However, I have worked in multiple counties throughout the Commonwealth and worked in several positions that required extensive travel throughout Kentucky. Those opportunities along with my 40 years of nursing offer experiences to help deal with challenges the Board of Nursing faces. As your President during 2015-2016, I will work to fulfill the mission of KBN to protect the well-being of the public by development and enforcement of state laws governing the safe practice of nursing, nursing education, and credentialing

Other officers elected to serve this year are Jimmy Isenberg, RN, Vice President, Christe Coe, APRN, Secretary, and Sonia Rudolph, APRN, Financial Officer. I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the service of our past president, Sally Baxter, who has been the Board's President for the past three years. Sally has been an excellent leader, represented the Board well in a variety of settings, and conducted the board meetings most efficiently. The governor makes appointments to the Kentucky Board of Nursing for a term of four years. We expect to hear by August of the new appointments and/or reappointments.

The Kentucky Board of Nursing is a member board of the National Council for State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). We work collaboratively, but independently, with NCSBN to promote regulatory excellence for patient safety and public protection. Paula Schenk, KBN's Executive Director and I served as delegates to the 2015 Special Session of the Delegate Assembly in May. The purpose of this special session was to consider approval of the new Nurse Licensure Compact and the new Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Compact. I am happy to report both compacts were approved. Other Board staff attending the Delegate Assembly were Bernadette Sutherland, KBN's Deputy Executive Director, serving as an alternate delegate, and Nathan Goldman, General Counsel for KBN and a member of the NCSBN Board of Directors. Please continue to read your KBN Connection for updates related to the new compacts. I am excited about the year ahead. Working together we will continue our mission of protecting the citizens of the Commonwealth.

Dr. Gail Wise, EdD, MSN, RN
President, Kentucky Board of Nursing

INTRODUCTION OF KBN MEMBERS



Board Member:
Dr. Mary Bennett, PhD, APRN

Dr. Bennett is the Director of the WKU School of Nursing since 2007. Prior to coming to WKU she worked as a nursing faculty member and Assistant Dean for Indiana State University School of Nursing. She started in nursing as an LPN in 1983, graduated from Indiana State University with an Associate Degree in Nursing in 1985, a Baccalaureate in Nursing in 1989 and a Master's Degree in Nursing in 1990. She received her doctorate in Medical Nursing from Rush University, Chicago in 1997, and a post-Masters Family Nurse Practitioner from Indiana

State University in 2004. In addition to being a board member for the Kentucky Board of Nursing, she is a former board member for the Kentucky Nurses Association and the Kentucky Coalition of Nurse Practitioners and Nurse Midwives, is former president of the Kentucky Association of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs, and former president of SOAPN, the Indiana Society of Advanced Practice Nurses. She continues to work part-time as nurse practitioner to maintain her clinical certification and lives in Bowling Green with her husband of 38 years. She is a prior member of the Army Reserve and the Air National Guard, serving a total of 8 years. Her research interests are the effects of various complementary and alternative therapies on physiologic outcomes, health care provider's decision making in end of life care, and improving the nursing workforce through education and socialization. She is currently serving on the KBN Education Committee and Governance Committee. Her current hobbies are flower gardening and exploring the back roads of the US with her husband on their motorcycle.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues in Nursing:

This edition of the KBN Connection serves as the Board's official notice to licensees of the licensure renewal requirement for the period beginning September 15, 2015 through October 31, 2015. I wish to highlight that the end of the licensure renewal period falls on Saturday, October 31, 2015. KBN office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm (Eastern Time). In order to have renewal applications processed prior to the end of the licensure renewal period, those applications must be received prior to close of business Friday, October 30, 2015. Like last year, I share this pearl of wisdom with you. I encourage every licensee who wishes to renew their KY nursing license to do so early in the licensure renewal period. Waiting to the last minute (historically, some have actually done so), only increases the risk that your nursing license will lapse, thus prohibiting you from working as a nurse on November 1, 2015 and thereafter, and until such time as that license is renewed or reinstated, (reinstatement of licensure is a separate and distinct licensure application process, including a fee, continuing education and criminal background check). As Benjamin Franklin so wisely stated, "The early bird gets the worm." Be an early bird!

On May 4, 2015, a historic vote was passed by the Delegate Assembly of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). The new Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) and APRN Compact (APRNC) were adopted by NCSBN. In my last Executive Director's message, Spring 2015 KBN Connection, I summarized the significant changes being proposed for the new NLC. Restated, the new NLC will require:

- biometric based (fingerprint) criminal background checks for eligibility as a party state;
- the applicant/licensee must hold an active, unencumbered license;
- the applicant/licensee must not have been convicted of a felony;
- the applicant/licensee must not have been convicted of a misdemeanor offense related to the practice of nursing as determined on a case-by-case basis;
- the applicant/licensee must not be currently enrolled in an alternative program;
- the applicant/licensee is subject to self-disclosure requirements regarding current participation in an alternative program, and
- the applicant/licensee must have a valid United States Social Security number.

The new NLC contains requirements, which are reflective of high licensure standards for public protection, for issuance of a multistate license by those jurisdictions who become party to the new NLC. For those applicants or licensees who do not meet these requirements, they may still be eligible for a single state license according to current regulatory requirements in KY.

On June 12, 2015, KBN voted to seek sponsorship of legislation which would implement the new NLC in KY for introduction in the 2016 KY General Assembly. In the months ahead, KBN will be conducting stakeholder meetings to inform those interested and/or impacted by this legislative initiative about its provisions and implications. In addition, information about the proposed new NLC legislation will be posted on the Board's website. The Board has determined that, at this time, it will not pursue legislation to implement the APRNC.

Over this past year, the Board and staff have been engaged in thoughtful dialogue about its strategic plan for the next several years. Focusing on strategic initiatives which will promote public protection along with the identification of measurable outcomes has been and will continue to be an ongoing part of Board activity. At the June 12, 2015 Board meeting, the Board adopted the 2015 – 2018 Strategic Plan. This document may be found on the Board's website for your information. Appreciation is expressed to KBN members, retiring as well as current, for their ongoing dedication and commitment to the mission, vision and values of the Board.

Since the last issue of the KBN Connection, KBN has welcomed two (2) new members to our staff. They are Amy Wheeler, Paralegal, and Sharon Bacon, RN, Nurse Investigator. We are delighted to have these new additions to the KBN staff roster! We bid a fond farewell and best wishes to Carol Borden, Docket Coordinator, and Dana Malone, I&D Programs Coordinator.

Two (2) staff members and one (1) former staff person have decided that they wish to pursue their dreams and talents in retirement. They are Mary Stewart, Continuing Competency Program Coordinator and Eileen Deren, RN, Case Manager, having served the Commonwealth for twenty (20) and twenty one (21) years, respectively. Prior to the implementation of the Governor's Executive Order for statewide information technology consolidation, Michael Hay was a KBN staff member (before being transferred to the Commonwealth Office of Technology). Mary, Michael and Eileen have been integral members of this agency and have demonstrated with distinction their commitment to the Commonwealth and the Board's mission of public protection. On behalf of the Board and your fellow staff members, thank you for your service and, in the words of the Irish blessing (paraphrased for brevity),...May the road rise up to meet you, May the wind always be at your back, May the sun shine warm upon your face,... !

Wishing all of you a safe and healthy summer!

Paula S. Schenk MPH, RN
Executive Director

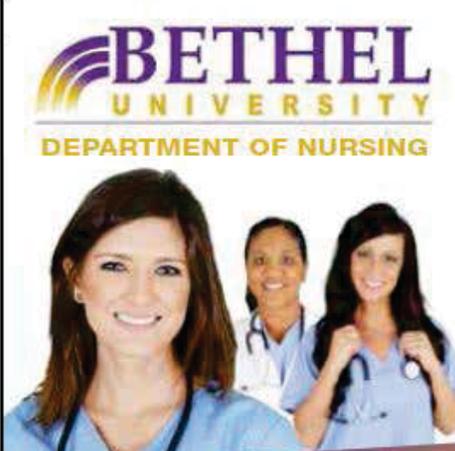


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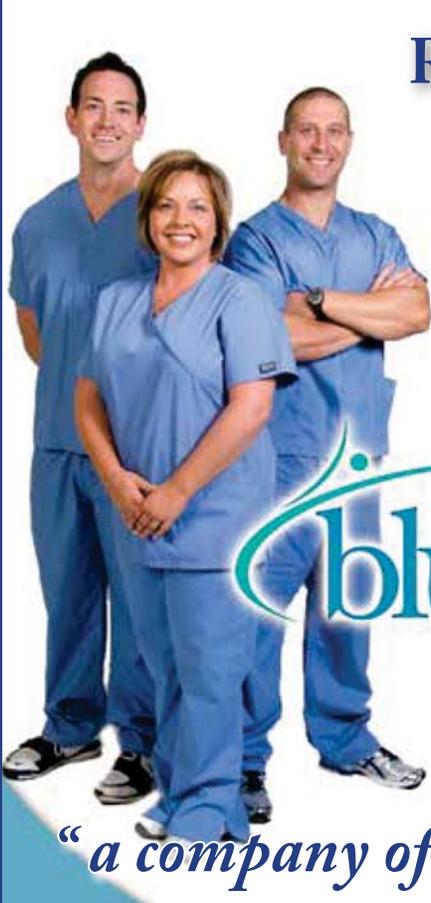



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NATHAN GOLDMAN 25 YEAR SERVICE RECOGNITION

By Paula Schenk, MPH, RN, Executive Director



On behalf of the Board members and staff, it is a pleasure to recognize Nathan Goldman for 25 years of service with the Kentucky Board of Nursing.

Nathan began employment with the Kentucky Board of Nursing on June 1, 1990, as General Counsel. For over 15 years, Nathan has also served as the Board's Hearing Officer, one of the first nursing regulatory agency-based positions in the country. In March of 2000, Nathan received an Employee Recognition Award for his distinguished performance during his ongoing involvement in monitoring legislation affecting the agency, proposing statutory changes and drafting recommendations for changes to regulations affecting the Board, activities which have continued unabated. In addition, Nathan is the author of the Board's Kentucky Board of Nursing History: 1914-2014, the companion to The Kentucky Board of Nursing: 75 years of Protective Caring (1914-1989); and A Bridge to 2000: History of the Decade (1989-1999). During the past 25 years, the Board members and staff have benefited from Nathan's conscientious advice

and have come to rely on him for counsel regarding the many issues facing the Kentucky Board of Nursing.

Additionally, Nathan has served on several NCSBN Committees and subcommittees, including but not limited to, the Model Act Revision Subcommittee, Bylaws Committee, Model Rules Committee. He is currently serving as both a Director at Large on the NCSBN Board of Directors and the Chair of the NCSBN Standards Development Committee.

Given his many years of service to this agency as well as the breadth and depth of his knowledge of nursing regulatory law on a statewide and national basis, Nathan is consistently recognized by his peers and colleagues as an expert in this field.

Nathan, we extend our sincere appreciation for your service, and we wish you the very best in all future endeavors!

Congratulations, Nathan!



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DNP/APRN

Eastern Kentucky University	Full
Frontier Nursing University	Full
Kentucky State University	Initial
Murray State University	Full
University of Kentucky	Full
University of Louisville	Developmental
Western Kentucky University	Full

Master's Degree Nursing leading to APRN

Bellarmine University	Full
Eastern Kentucky University	Full
Frontier Nursing University	Full
Indiana Wesleyan University	Full
Kentucky Christian University	Developmental
Murray State University	Full
Northern Kentucky University	Full
Spalding University	Full
University of Louisville	Full
Western Kentucky University	Full

Prelicensure Registered Nurse and Practical Nurse Programs

Baccalaureate Degree Nursing

Bellarmine University	Full
Berea College	Full
Eastern Kentucky University	Full
Kentucky Christian University	Monitoring
Lindsey Wilson College	Monitoring
Morehead State University	Full
Murray State University	Monitoring
Northern Kentucky University	Full
Spalding University	Monitoring
Thomas More College	Full
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University of Kentucky	Full
University of Louisville	Full
University of Louisville - Owensboro	Full
Western Kentucky University	Full

Associate Degree Nursing

American National University	Monitoring
Ashland Community & Technical College	Conditional
Beckfield College	Conditional
Big Sandy Community & Technical College	Monitoring
Bluegrass Community & Technical College - Lexington/Cooper (Main)	Full
Bluegrass Community & Technical College - Lawrenceburg	Full
Campbellsville University	Monitoring
Daymar College	Conditional
Eastern Kentucky University	Monitoring
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College	Full
Galen College of Nursing	Full
Gateway Community & Technical College	Full
Hazard Community & Technical College - Hazard (Main)	Conditional
Hazard Community & Technical College - Lees Campus/Jackson	Full
Henderson Community College	Full
Hopkinsville Community College	Full
ITT Technical Institute - Lexington	Initial
ITT Technical Institute - Louisville	Monitoring

Jefferson Community & Technical College	Monitoring
KCTCS Online Learn on Demand	Conditional
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Lincoln Memorial University - Corbin Campus	Full
Madisonville Community College	Full
Maysville Community & Technical College (Main)	Full
Maysville Community & Technical College - Cynthiana/Licking Valley	Conditional
Midway University	Full
Morehead State University (Main)	Monitoring
Morehead State University - Mt. Sterling	Monitoring
Owensboro Community & Technical College	Full
Somerset Community College (Main)	Full
Somerset Community College - Laurel/London	Full
Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College - Bowling Green	Full
Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College - Glasgow	Full
Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College (Main)	Full
Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College - Pineville	Monitoring
Spencerian College	Monitoring
St. Catharine College	Conditional
University of Pikeville	Monitoring
West Kentucky Community & Technical College	Full
Western Kentucky University (Main)	Monitoring
Western Kentucky University - Glasgow	Monitoring

Practical Nursing

Ashland Cmty. & Technical College - Roberts Drive	Monitoring
ATA College	Full
Beckfield College	Monitoring
Big Sandy Community & Technical College - Mayo/Paintsville	Full
Bluegrass Community & Technical College - Leestown/Lexington (Main)	Full
Bluegrass Community & Technical College - Danville	Full
Brown Mackie College - Louisville	Full
Brown Mackie College - Northern Kentucky	Full
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College	Full
Galen College of Nursing	Full
Hazard Community & Technical College	Full
Henderson Community College	Full
Hopkinsville Community College	Full
Jefferson Community & Technical College (Main)	Full
Jefferson Community & Technical College - Carrollton	Full
Jefferson Community & Technical College - Shelbyville	Full
Madisonville Community College	Full
Maysville Community & Technical College	Monitoring
Maysville Community & Technical College - Rowan/Morehead (Main)	Full
Maysville Community & Technical College - Licking Valley/Cynthiana	Full
Maysville Community & Technical College - Montgomery/Mt. Sterling	Full
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Somerset Community College - Clinton Center/Albany	Full
Somerset Community College - Laurel Campus/London	Full
Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College - Glasgow (Main)	Full
Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College - Bowling Green	Full
Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College	Full
Spencerian College	Full
West Kentucky Community & Technical College (Main)	Full
West Kentucky Community & Technical College - Murray	Full

By **Nathan Goldman, JD**, General Counsel

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY CHANGES THAT WILL AFFECT YOU

There have been several changes to the statutes and administrative regulations that will directly affect you this summer. First, the legislature passed House Bill 248 that eliminated the mandatory HIV/AIDS continuing education. Effective June 24, 2015 you no longer are required to take continuing education classes in HIV/AIDS.

Next, the Board raised several fees, including the renewal fee. The new fee will be in effect for the 2015 renewal, beginning September 15. For RNs and LPNs, the new renewal fee is \$65. For APRNs (with a Kentucky RN license), the new total renewal fee is \$120.

Effective June 24, 2015, KBN no longer approves DNP Programs of Nursing. However, KBN will still approve all Kentucky APRN Programs regardless of the degree confirmed.

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The Collaborative Prescribing Agreement Joint Advisory Committee (CAPA Committee) established in July 2014 by Senate Bill (SB) 7 was tasked by law [KRS 314.196 (2)] to recommend a common form to establish the Collaborative Agreement for the APRN's Prescriptive Authority (CAPA-NS). As a result, the Kentucky Board of Nursing and the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure have approved the same version of the common CAPA-NS form which is now required for use by APRNs and physicians in KY.

KRS 314.196 (2) states:

The committee may make recommendations to the Kentucky Board of Nursing and the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure about the CAPA-NS agreements and shall perform other duties as required by this section. The committee may recommend a common CAPA-NS form for use by all advanced practice registered nurses and all physicians in Kentucky who enter into a CAPA-NS. The common CAPA-NS form shall only be required for CAPA-NS agreements if both the Kentucky Board of Nursing and the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure approve the same version of the common CAPA-NS form. If those boards do not both approve the same version of the common CAPA-NS form, advanced practice registered nurses and physicians may use their own CAPA-NS forms as authorized by KRS 314.042.

The form can be accessed from the KBN website under APRN Practice http://kbn.ky.gov/practice/Pages/aprn_practice.aspx

Note: There is no mandated form for the CAPA-CS. The parties may draft any form they wish as long as all elements required by KRS 314.042 are incorporated into the agreement. An example of a CAPA-CS form may be found at KCNPNM.org for more information, contact Pamela C. Hagan@ky.gov, APRN Education and Practice Consultant, 502-429-7181.

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The School of Health Sciences at Mount St. Joseph University continues to deliver innovative programs that address current needs in the field of nursing. Dr. Nancy Hinzman, MSN/DNP Program Director at the Mount, answers a few key questions about the Mount's critical role in developing leaders for the health care industry.



Q: What trends in the health care industry support the need for health systems leaders?

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives and nurse practitioners is expected to grow by 31 percent, while employment for nursing assistants and orderlies will increase 21 percent. Part of the reason for this is the continued, steady growth in our elderly population. The health care industry needs more care providers, and there is also a strong need for nurse educators and leaders.

Q: What programs does Mount St. Joseph University offer for nurses who want to earn their advanced degrees?

The Mount's MSN program offers three tracks: administration, education,

and clinical nurse leader. At the post-master's level, the Mount offers a DNP in Health Systems Leadership. An important component to every advanced nursing program at the Mount is the focus on preparing nurses for leadership positions where they can create transformative change to improve the health and health care outcomes of individuals, families, groups and populations.

Q: What do students like best about the Mount's programs?

Our students really appreciate the part-time, blended course format, as it enables them to maintain full-time employment while earning their degree. During the semester, each class meets twice on campus, with the remainder of the course work delivered online. The personal attention and interaction with faculty is also a key feature of the Mount's programs. Our faculty shares a very genuine commitment to the success of each one of our students and their role as a health systems leader.

Q: What are the latest developments in financial aid for graduate nursing students at the Mount?

Mount St. Joseph University was recently awarded over \$200,000 to offer the Nurse Faculty Loan Program (NFLP) funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration

(HRSA). The NFLP covers the cost of tuition, fees and other reasonable education costs for eligible students. Up to 85 percent of the loan can be forgiven for those who complete their degree program and teach full time at an accredited school of nursing. The Mount has a rich history in nursing and providing innovative, high-quality nursing education. The NFLP will allow the Mount to expand our MSN and DNP programs with more students and course options.



MOUNT ST. JOSEPH UNIVERSITY

To learn more about the Mount's advanced degree programs in nursing, visit www.msj.edu/graduate or contact Nancy Hinzman at **513-244-4325**.

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LEGAL SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Scope of practice questions are fairly typical of those inquiries received by the KBN APRN Consultant. One must look at the KY Nursing Law as a basis for the legal scope of practice which also addresses the APRN's educational preparation in a specific population foci as well as the national certification examination written by the APRN.

In Kentucky, advanced practice registered nursing is defined in KRS 314.011 (8) <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/Statutes/statute.aspx?id=40838> as the performance of additional acts by registered nurses licensed as APRNs. Thus the legal scope of practice for advanced practice registered nursing is predicated on the:

- Added knowledge and skills obtained through an accredited education program that prepares the registered nurse for one (1) of the four (4) APRN roles;
- Education in a specific role as a nurse practitioner, nurse anesthetist, nurse midwife, or clinical nurse specialist;
- Certification through a national organization or agency recognized to certify registered nurses for advanced practice registered nursing practice;
- Certification in at least one advanced practice population focus: family/across the life span, psychiatric-mental health across the

life span, adult-gerontology (either acute care or primary care), women's health/gender specific, neonatology, pediatrics (either acute care or primary care); and

- Additional acts subject to the approval of the Board, and consistent with certifying agencies' and organizations' national scopes and standards. The APRN legal scope of practice includes prescribing treatment, drugs, devices, and ordering diagnostic tests. Prescribing of drugs is defined and limited by statute. The statute also states that the performance of the additional acts shall be consistent with the national certifying organization's scopes and standards of practice, recognized by the Board. The Board recognizes the scope and standards of several national certifying organizations in 201 KAR 20:057.

What other factors must be considered when the determining what the APRN is about to do....or is doing....is within the APRN's legal and professional scope of practice?

Other Factors to Consider

The following questions should be answered by the APRN as part of the decision-making process before engaging in specific acts/procedures:

Is the act/task/procedure expressly permitted/

prohibited by the nursing law, regulations, advisory opinions, or other local, state, federal laws?

Is the act/task/procedure consistent with my graduate education, current national educational accreditation standards, current national nursing scope and standards, current certification examination blueprint/outline/role delineation study, current evidence-based nursing literature, my institution's policies and procedures, and the institution's accreditation standards?

Do I have the requisite knowledge, skill and experience to do the act/task/procedure?

How did I obtain the knowledge and competence to do the act/task/procedure?

Can I produce documentation/evidence that I have acquired the APRN knowledge, skill, and experience to perform the act/task/procedure?

Could I defend my actions if an adverse event occurs?

The Kentucky Board of Nursing recently approved the newly developed APRN Scope of Practice Decision-Making Model and the accompanying KBN APRN Scope of Practice Guidelines. The new tool is based on the previously adopted KBN Scope of Practice Determination Guidelines and can be found on the KBN website through the following link: http://kbn.ky.gov/practice/Pages/aprn_practice.aspx

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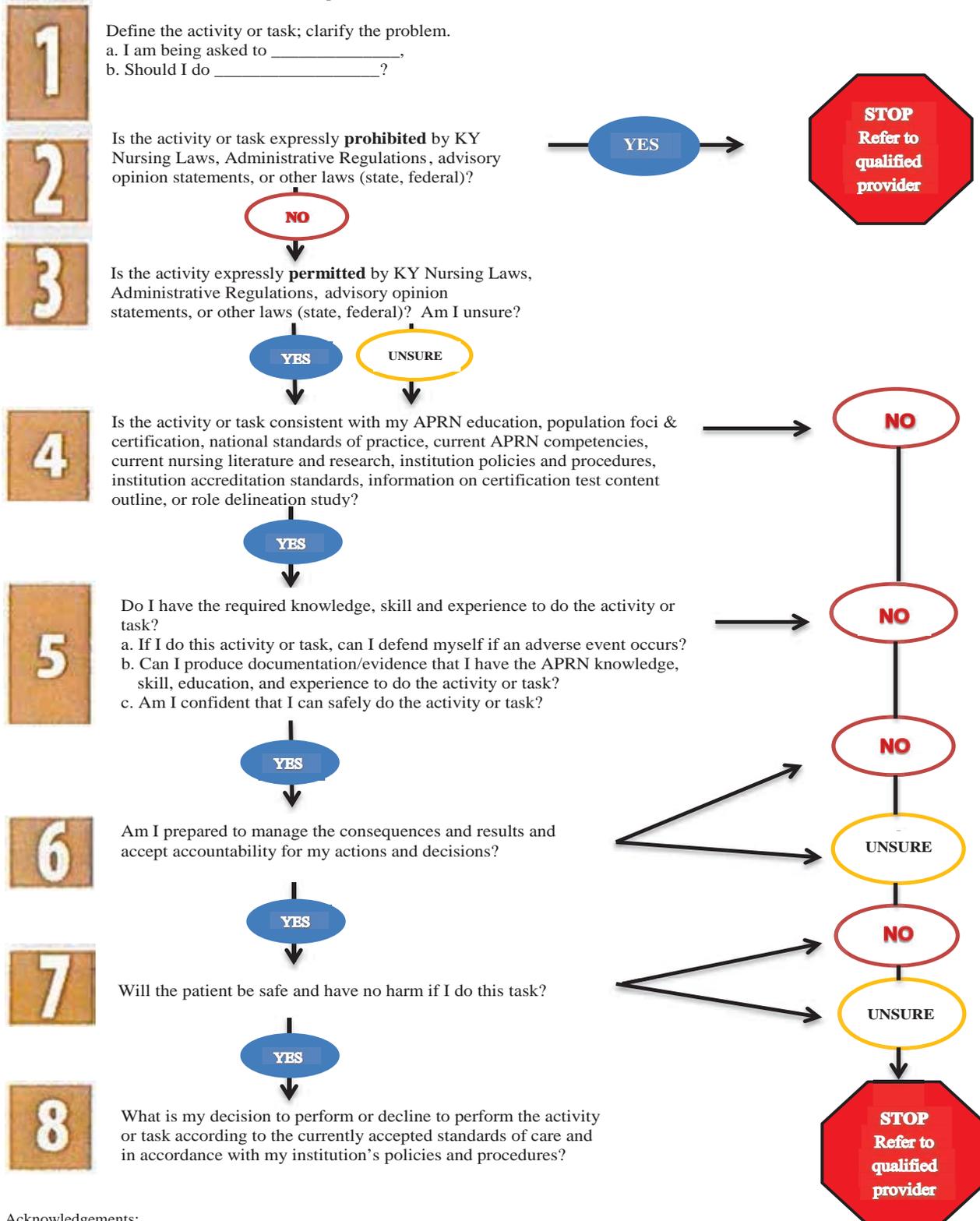
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Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN) Scope of Practice Decision-Making Model for APRNs

Use the process flow below to think through your scope of practice decision. Please see the Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN) Guidelines for Determination of APRN Scope of Practice for additional consideration.



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THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL RENEWAL NOTIFICATION.

2015 RENEWAL INFORMATION

BEGINS: September 15, 2015 at 12:01 a.m.

ENDS: Midnight October 31, 2015, Eastern Time

RENEWAL WEB ADDRESS: www.kbn.ky.gov/renewal

NOTIFICATION OF RENEWAL: When your license has been renewed you will receive an email notification to the email address you listed with KBN. You can also validate the expiration date of your license at www.kbn.ky.gov

Clicking on the submit button at the end of the renewal application does not renew your license. Validate that your license was renewed from this site: <http://kbn.ky.gov/onlineSRVs/bulkvalidation/>

RENEWAL FEES: Print the confirmation page for your record of payment for your license renewal.

RN: \$65

LPN: \$65

APRN: \$55 for each designation (plus \$65 for the RN license)

SANE: \$35

Clicking on the “submit” button at the end of the renewal process is an attestation that you have or will have met the continuing competency requirements by midnight, October 31. Your license is NOT renewed when you click on the submit button.

LAST DAY OF RENEWAL

For those individuals who submit a 2015 renewal application after 4:30 PM on October 30 and before midnight October 31, the nursing license will lapse at 12:01 AM. In this situation you may not work as a nurse until such time as the Board processes the renewal application.

If an application is received before midnight on October 31 and an individual answers “NO” to the disciplinary and conviction questions, a license MAY be renewed by noon on the next business day.

REQUIRED RENEWAL DOCUMENTATION

If you answered “yes” to the discipline, criminal, and/or the APRN national certification revocation questions, your license will not be renewed until KBN receives and reviews the required documents. If

your license has not been renewed before midnight, Eastern Time, October 31, your license will lapse. You cannot practice as a nurse in Kentucky if your license has lapsed.

Required documentation includes:

1. Certified court records and letters of explanation, if you answer “yes” to the criminal activity question
2. Board certified orders and letters of explanation, if you answer “yes” to the disciplinary question
3. Documentation from your APRN national certification organization if you answer “yes,” that your national certification was revoked or issued on a provisional or conditional status
4. Other documentation requested by KBN staff.

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT AND KENTUCKY LICENSE RENEWAL

If your primary state of residence is another compact state and you do not practice ONLY in a military/federal facility, you will not be able to renew your Kentucky RN or LPN license.

APRN RENEWAL

If you do not intend to practice as an APRN and want to relinquish your APRN license (allow it to expire) but do want to renew your RN license, access the RN/APRN renewal application. There will be a drop down selection for you to renew only your RN license.

If your national certification has expired, you will not be able to renew your APRN license(s). You cannot practice as

an APRN in Kentucky with an expired national certification.

To renew your APRN license in only one role designation and your Kentucky RN license, you MUST use the RN-APRN link on the renewal web page (<http://kbn.ky.gov/Pages/renewal.aspx>). From this link, you will renew your RN and APRN licenses simultaneously, for the combined fee of \$120 (RN-\$65 and APRN-\$55).

To renew your APRN license in more than one role designation and your Kentucky RN license, use the link listed above and select each role designation that you want to renew by clicking on the appropriate radio button. The fee for renewing each APRN designation is \$55 per role designation, plus the \$65 RN renewal fee. You must maintain current national certification in each role designation.

If your primary residence is in a compact state and you hold a current RN multistate license in that state, you must use the “APRN Renewal Only (with RN license in another compact state)” link. You must provide the name of the state and the expiration date of your multistate RN license before you will be able to renew your Kentucky APRN license. You must keep your multistate RN license active in the state of your primary residence while you are practicing as an APRN in Kentucky. If your compact RN license and/or your national certification lapse, you may not practice as an APRN in Kentucky. If an APRN holds both a KY RN & APRN license and they are not prescribing controlled substances, they need to: