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PRIMARY SOURCE VERIFICATION: DOCUMENTS RECEIVED IN BOARD OFFICE

The following information is provided as a summary to assist employers, credentialing agencies, and other interested parties to determine the basis for licensing, certificate, and recognition decisions made by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. Further information may be obtained by reviewing the *Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act and Rules*. The information below reflects current licensing, certificate, and recognition requirements. It may or may not be reflective of requirements that were in place when an individual was originally licensed, certified, or recognized. Because of the volume of requests received, this is the only format in which this information will be provided. If the information changes, this document will be updated and will be placed on the Board’s website: www.ok.gov/nursing/psverif.pdf.

Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), and Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) licenses, Advanced Unlicensed Assistant (AUA) certifications, and prescriptive authority recognitions must be renewed every two years by the end of the licensee’s birth month. RN and APRN licenses and prescriptive authority recognitions are renewed on even years; LPN licenses and Advanced Unlicensed Assistant certifications are renewed on odd years.

Documents Received in Board Office from Primary Source

<i>Document/ Application</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>HOW VERIFIED</i>
Licensure By Examination-Transcripts	X		Transcript from nursing education program required (1) directly from program; or (2) official copy in a sealed envelope.
Licensure by Endorsement, US Licensed – transcripts		X	Applicant identifies program, and the verification form from original state of licensure indicates program name and location. If the verification form does not include the program name, location, and date of graduation, an official transcript may be requested.
Licensure by Endorsement, Foreign Educated-Transcripts	X	X	Official transcript received directly from nursing education program. A photocopy of the official transcript supplied to the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing School (CGFNS) for purposes of evaluation can also be accepted with the evaluation report, in lieu of an official transcript directly from the nursing education program.
National Certification for RN/LPN		X	RNs and LPNs are not required to document national certification to the Board; this documentation is not maintained by the Board.
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Education: CNP, CNM, CNS-transcripts	X		Transcript from AP nursing program required directly from program or official copy in a sealed envelope.
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Education: CRNA-transcripts	X	X	Transcript received directly from educational program; or official copy of transcript from American Association of Nurse Anesthetists accepted for closed programs

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Advanced Practice Registered Nurse National Certification: Initial application/renewal	X	X	Effective July 1, 2011, verification of current national certification must be submitted directly by the certifying body or accessible on their website. Prior to July 1, 2011, a photocopy of the current national certification card was accepted.
Advanced Unlicensed Assistant education	X		A <i>Training Program Verification Statement</i> must be submitted directly from the Board-approved AUA program.
Closed School Transcripts	X		The Board stores and provides certified photocopies of transcripts for nursing education programs in closed Oklahoma schools.
Online Licensure Verification (www.ok.gov/nursing)	X		Online verification of license status updated on the website on the day following each business day from the Board's licensure database; this is considered verification directly from the Oklahoma Board of Nursing.
Web Site Information (www.ok.gov/nursing)	X		Website data is updated as necessary. The website is electronically secure, and the information on the site is from the Board's licensure database.

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