

Registered Nursing

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LPN- RN	Meets	Does Not Meet	State Licensing Board	NURSE PRACTICE ACT	Comments/Licensure Requirements
Alabama	XX		Laws – Alabama Board of Nursing	Nurse Practice Act – Alabama Board of Nursing	https://www.abn.alabama.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/ABN-Education-Clinical-and-Curriculum.pdf
Alaska	XX		Board of Nursing, Professional Licensing, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (alaska.gov)	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofNursing/NursingStatutesandRegulations.aspx	graduated from a program that is nationally nursing accredited/ACEN
Arizona	XX		AZBN Arizona State Board of Nursing	Statutes Arizona State Board of Nursing (azbn.gov)	
Arkansas	XX		ASBN - Licensing Arkansas Department of Health	Nurse Practice Act of the State of Arkansas	state approved program https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/images/uploads/pdf/GraduationAffidavit9.2020.pdf
California		XX- clinical hr	California Board of Registered Nursing	https://www.rn.ca.gov/practice/npa.shtml	Minimum of 500 direct patient care clinical hours with a minimum of 30 hours of supervised direct patient care clinical hours dedicated to each nursing area specified by the board
Colorado	XX		DORA HOME Department of Regulatory Agencies (colorado.gov)	Nurse Practice Act.pdf - Google Drive	state approved program
Connecticut	XX		Board of Examiners for Nursing (ct.gov)	https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/departments-and-agencies/dph/dph/practitioner_licensing_and_investigations/plis/nursing/chapter378nursingpdf.pdf	Nursing Education Programs and Licensure Requirements General (ct.gov)
Delaware		XX- clinical hr	Board of Nursing - Division of Professional Regulation - State of Delaware	1900 Board of Nursing (delaware.gov)	400 clinical hours for RN; does not include PN
Florida	XX		Florida Board of Nursing - Licensing, Renewals & Information (floridasnursing.gov)	Statutes & Constitution :View Statutes : Online Sunshine (state.fl.us)	state approved program
Georgia	XX		Georgia Board of Nursing Georgia Secretary of State (ga.gov)	38 Reference - Nurse Practice Act.pdf (ga.gov)	38 Application - RN Licensure by Exam f...d and Traditional Nursing Programs.pdf (ga.gov)
Hawaii	XX		Professional & Vocational Licensing Division Board of Nursing (hawaii.gov)	Nurses Chapter 89 (hawaii.gov)	approved ADN program in US per NPA
Idaho	XX		Board of Nursing Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses (idaho.gov)	Chapter 14 – Idaho State Legislature	The program must meet substantially the same basic educational requirements as graduates of Idaho nursing education programs.
Illinois	XX		IDFPR Board of Nursing (illinois.gov)	225 ILCS 65/ Nurse Practice Act. (ilga.gov)	https://www.continentaltesting.net/downloads/IL/ED_NUR.pdf
Indiana	XX		PLA: Nursing Board	Indiana Nurse Practice Act (2013)	domestic program-certification of completion to BON
Iowa	XX		Board of Nursing Department of Inspections, Appeals, & Licensing (iowa.gov)	Iowa Legislature - Agency	12-06-2017.655.2.10.pdf (iowa.gov)
Kansas	-----	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kentucky	XX		Welcome - KBN (ky.gov)	Kentucky Revised Statutes - Chapter 314	state approved program
Louisiana		XX	License Lookup - Louisiana State Board of Nursing	Louisiana Laws - Louisiana State Legislature	1500 total clock hrs; 700 theory, 800 clinical
Maine	XX		Maine State Board of Nursing	Title 32, Chapter 31: NURSES AND NURSING (maine.gov)	ACEN approved program
Maryland	XX- per equivalency tool approval		Pages - Home (maryland.gov)	Pages - Nurse Practice Act (maryland.gov)	equivalency tool--https://mbon.maryland.gov/Documents/out-of-state-substantial-equivalency-assessment-tool.pdf
Massachusetts	XX - see document in comments		Board of Registration in Nursing Mass.gov	Laws and regulations for the Board of Registration in Nursing Mass.gov	accredited; https://www.mass.gov/doc/information-for-graduates-of-us-nursing-programs-and-eligibility-for-licensure-in-massachusetts-pdf/download

Michigan	XX- see document in comments		Nursing (michigan.gov)	MCL - 368-1978-15-172 - Michigan Legislature	ACEN accreditation; plus 2 trainings https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/lara/bpl/Nursing/Licensing-Info-and-Forms/Nursing-Licensing-Guide.pdf?rev=953e958a47a74d16ba6efe1e81af03fa
Minnesota	XX		Minnesota Nursing Board / Minnesota Board of Nursing (mn.gov)	Nurse Practice Act / Minnesota Board of Nursing (mn.gov)	approved program by KSBN; https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/6305.0400/ same educational criteria/KSBN approval
Mississippi	XX		Home Mississippi Board of Nursing (ms.gov)	Microsoft Word - 2023.MSBN Statutes Missouri Code of State Regulations: Title 20 - Department of Insurance (mo.gov)	
Missouri	XX		Board of Nursing (mo.gov)		nursing program is a board approved education program
Montana	XX		Board of Nursing (mt.gov)	Statutes (mt.gov)	approved program by KSBN; https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/nursing/regulations/statutes
Nebraska	XX		Nurse Licensing (ne.gov) Nevada State Board of Nursing –protecting the public's health, safety and welfare through effective nursing regulation..... (nevadanursingboard.org)	Statutes Relating to Nurse Practice Act (ne.gov)	Have completed the basic curriculum in an approved program of practical nursing (for LPN licensure) or registered nursing (for LPN or RN licensure) and hold a diploma therefrom
Nevada	XX			NRS: CHAPTER 632 - NURSING (state.nv.us)	
New Hampshire		XX - approx 585 hrs RN	New Hampshire Board of Nursing NH Office of Professional Licensure and Certification	New Hampshire Statutes - Table of Contents (state.nh.us)	the program must have national nursing accreditation
New Jersey	XX		Pages - New Jersey Board of Nursing (njconsumeraffairs.gov)	NJ Board of Nursing Statutes (njconsumeraffairs.gov)	minimum of 1080 hours of nursing classroom instruction and concurrent clinical practice offering students the opportunity to care for individuals, families, groups and communities during various developmental stages who are experiencing physiological, or psychosocial, or environmental disruptions
New Mexico	XX		Regulations (nmnpc.org)	https://www.bon.nm.gov/laws-rules/	registered professional nursing program accredited by the Board or a board of nursing in another state or a licensed practical nursing program accredited by the Board or by a board of nursing in another state
New York	XX		Registered Professional Nurse Office of the Professions (nysed.gov)	NYS Nursing:Laws, Rules & Regulations:Article 139 (nysed.gov) RN/LPN Laws & Rules North Carolina Board of Nursing (ncbon.com)	successful completion of a board approved program. If the state does not approve pre-licensure nursing programs, national programmatic accreditation
North Carolina	XX		Home North Carolina Board of Nursing (ncbon.com)		RN Licensed in another state checklist. (nysed.gov); • Completion of NYS coursework in child abuse identification (CA) and infection control (IC)
North Dakota			Overview - ND Board of Nursing (ndbon.org)	Nurse Practices Act NDCC 43-12.1 - ND Board of Nursing (ndbon.org)	graduating from a National Council State Board of Nursing (NCSBN) member Board-approved nursing program
Ohio	XX		Chapter 4723 - Ohio Revised Code Ohio Laws	Chapter 4723 - Ohio Revised Code Ohio Laws	out-of-state program that is approved by another Board of Nursing and includes supervised clinical experience across the life span as part of the curriculum and is equivalent in the amount and time to the ND Board of Nursing approved programs
Oklahoma	XX		Oklahoma Board of Nursing (510)	Nursing Practice Act (oklahoma.gov)	Program approved by a jurisdiction of the national council of state boards of nursing/KSBN
Oregon	XX		https://www.oregon.gov/OSBN/pages/index.aspx	oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/ors/ors678.html	state Board-approved registered nursing education program conducted in a member board jurisdiction that meets the requirements of 485:10-5-6(d)
Pennsylvania	XX		State Board of Nursing (pa.gov)	Board Laws and Regulations (pa.gov)	nursing program that is accredited or approved by the licensing Board
Rhode Island	XX		Nursing Licensing: Department of Health (ri.gov)	webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/TITLE5/5-34/INDEX.HTM	for nurses in a particular state
South Carolina	XX		SCLLR	Code of Laws - Title 40 - Chapter 33 - Nurses (scstatehouse.gov)	graduate of a State-approved associate degree; 3 hours of approved training in child abuse recognition and reporting

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the program must have national nursing accreditation
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registered professional nursing program accredited by the Board or a board of nursing in another state or a licensed practical nursing program accredited by the Board or by a board of nursing in another state
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nursing program that is accredited or approved by the licensing Board
for nurses in a particular state
graduate of a State-approved associate degree; 3 hours of approved training in child abuse recognition and reporting
prescribed curriculum in a Board-approved basic professional nursing education program
approved school of nursing or nursing education program approved by the state

South Dakota	XX		Home - SD Board of Nursing (sdbon.org)	South Dakota Nurse Practice Act - SD Board of Nursing (sdbon.org)	complete a practical or registered nursing program that is board approved in the state in which it originates
Tennessee			Nursing (tn.gov)	Statutes And Rules (tn.gov)	graduated from a school of nursing approved by a Board in another U.S. jurisdiction shall have had substantially the same course of study as stated in the minimum curriculum requirements for Tennessee approved schools of nursing at the time of his application
Texas	XX		Welcome to the Texas Board of Nursing Website	Texas Board of Nursing - Laws & Rules - Nursing Practice Act	Texas Board of Nursing - Education - Remediation Education; RULE §217.2
Utah	XX		Nursing - dopl.utah.gov	Utah Code Chapter 58-31b	completed an approved registered nursing education program
Vermont	XX		Vermont Secretary of State - Office of Professional Regulation Nursing Section	Professions and Occupations (vermont.gov)	graduate from an approved registered nursing educational program as shown by verification of education form; accredited state-approved school
Virginia	XX		Virginia Board of Nursing	Chapter 30 of Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia - Nursing	Verification of Clinical Hours: If you attended a nursing program outside of Virginia, your FINAL official transcript must include evidence of the actual (direct client care) clinical hours broken down for each course.
Washington	XX		Home Washington State Board of Nursing	Chapter 18.79 RCW: NURSING CARE (wa.gov)	program approved by KSBN; https://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=246-840-030
West Virginia	XX		WV RN Board	WV SOS - Administrative Law - Code of State Rules - Online Data Services	Board approved program in the state where the program is located
Wisconsin	XX		https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/BoardsCouncils/Nursing/Default.aspx	DSPS Board of Nursing (wi.gov)	program approved by the board of the state the school is located; and
Wyoming	XX		WSBN (wyo.gov)	Wyoming NPA.pdf - Google Drive	ACEN
					Graduate from a licensing board-approved RN pre-licensure nursing education program

National Council of State Board of Nursing

[The licensure requirements in each state and U.S. territories, Garden City Community College recommends to students planning on or thinking of moving to or work in another state or territory that they consult NCSB, the National Council of State Board of Nursing at <https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-guidance.htm> for guidance with the each states individual requirements.](#)

[To explore what states are part of the compact and to understand any additional requirments, visit <https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-compact.htm>. This compact is designed to facilitate your professional mobility, ensuring you can easily pursue your career goals.](#)