

## FOREIGN EDUCATED NURSES

If you were educated outside the United States, are currently licensed to practice in the country where you received your education or have an active license from another government or agency outside the U.S., its territories, or commonwealths, and your license is in good standing, you may proceed to the first step in seeking licensure in Idaho.

### CGFNS Credentials Evaluation Report:

Please contact the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools and request a CES Professional report. Let them know you want your report sent to the Idaho Board of Nursing.

CGFNS: [www.cgfns.org](http://www.cgfns.org)

Phone #: 1-215-222-8454

### JS & A Credentials Evaluation Report:

Please contact Josef Silny & Associates, Inc. and request that your evaluation be sent to Idaho Board of Nursing.

JS&A: [www.jsilny.org](http://www.jsilny.org) Phone #: 1-305-273-1616

Email: [info@jsilny.org](mailto:info@jsilny.org)

\*Receiving the report can take 6 months or more.

After the report is received in our office, we will determine if your credentials qualify you to apply for an Idaho license. If they do, you will be notified by letter or email. If we don't have your contact information you will need to contact us. Once your eligibility is confirmed you will be invited to:

- Submit an (LPN or RN) Internationally Educated application for licensure along with the fees.
- Submit English proficiency in reading, writing, speaking, and listening by taking one of the following exams:
  - a) TOEFL, TSE, IELTS, PTE, or MELAB.
  - b) NOTE: International applicants who graduated from a college, university or professional training school located in Australia, Canada (except Quebec), Ireland, New Zealand or the United Kingdom are exempt from English proficiency requirements.
- Register for and take the NCLEX.

**Fingerprint card:** Can be requested within the application. If not requested within the application, email or call the Idaho Board of Nursing office: [IBN@dopl.idaho.gov](mailto:IBN@dopl.idaho.gov) or 1-208-577-2476 and provide your name and mailing address.

### **No US Social Security Number?**

Applicants who have not been assigned a U.S. social security number shall provide evidence as defined below in lieu of a social security number.

1. Present written verification from the U.S. Social Security Administration or your nearest U.S. Embassy (copy of form SSA-L676 (06-2013) that the applicant has not been assigned a social security number; **and**
2. A birth certificate, passport or other documentary evidence issued by an entity other than a state or the United States; **and**
3. Submit proof that you are lawfully present in the United States: VISA, I-94

### **Resources For Being Lawfully Present in the U.S.**

- VISA: U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE - BUREAU of CONSULAR AFFAIRS
- I-94: U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Foreign workers and Social Security Numbers: <https://www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10107.pdf>

### **Other Contact Information:**

Take the NCLEX®: register with Pearson Vue: <http://www.pearsonvue.com/nclex/> Phone #: 1-866-496-2539

NCLEX® Resources: <https://www.ncsbn.org/nclex.htm>