



State of Idaho
Division Of Occupational and Professional Licenses
Idaho Board of Nursing
ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES POLICIES

PEER REVIEW – APRN

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Introduction: Statutory Authority – Nursing Practice Act § 54-1411(2)

Certified nurse midwives, clinical nurse specialists, certified registered nurse anesthetists and certified nurse practitioners desiring license renewal must provide proof, satisfactory to the board, of the applicant's competence to practice by documenting completion of a peer review process.

Administrative Rules IDAPA 24.34.01.100.11.

The advanced practice registered nurse license may be renewed every two (2) years as specified in the Section 54-1411, Idaho Code, provided that the advanced practice registered nurse:

c. Peer Review Process. Provides evidence, satisfactory to the Board, of participation in a peer review process acceptable to the Board.

Purpose: To define APRN peer review and establish what constitutes evidence of a peer review process.

Policy:

A. Peer Review is:

1. A process that measures on-going practice competency of the advanced practice registered nurse (APRN).
2. Performed by a licensed APRN, Physician, PA or other professional certified by a recognized credentialing organization.
3. Focused on a mutual desire for quality of care and professional growth incorporating attitudes of mutual trust and motivation.

B. Peer Review shall:

1. Reflect nationally recognized standards of care.
2. Provide evidence of competence.
3. Include one or more of the following peer review processes:
 - a. Clinical rounds
 - b. On-site peer collaboration
 - c. Retroactive records review
 - d. Exemplar demonstrating the APRN's role in practice and spheres of impact with subsequent peer-review
 - e. Other appropriate processes as defined by the APRN-AC and approved by the Board
4. Provide evidence that issues identified in the peer review process have been or are being appropriately addressed.

C. Completion of a peer review process will be evidenced by:

1. Signature of the attestation statement at the time of biennial licensure renewal.
2. APRN supporting documentation at the request of the Board, e.g., signed peer statement, reports or records, peer contract, institutional policy, etc.
3. Demonstration or documentation available at on-site practice audit.



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RE-ENTRY TO PRACTICE – APRN

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Statutory Authority § 54-1404(4) & § 54-1411(3)(b)

Applicants for initial, reinstatement or renewal licensure must:

- Hold a current license authorizing practice as a registered nurse (RN) in Idaho.
- Be nationally certified as an advanced practice registered nurse, unless exempt as defined by rules of the Board

Purpose: To establish licensure processes for APRN applicants who have not actively practiced as an advanced practice registered nurse prior to licensure.

Policy:

A. The advanced practice registered nurse who does not meet “active practice” requirements (i.e. who has practiced less than 200 hours during the renewal period or who has not practiced within the most recent 3 years prior to application for initial or reinstatement licensure) must complete requirements for re-entry to practice prior to issuance of a renewable license.

B. Requirements for re-entry to practice are determined with consideration to length of time elapsed since most recent practice with a focus on currency of knowledge and demonstrated practice competence.

1. Applicants who have been absent from practice for a period greater than 3 years but less than 5 years must complete 200 hours of advanced nursing practice under the direct supervision of fully licensed APRN or physician practicing in the same specialty practice area as that of the applicant. At the completion of the supervised practice, the supervising practitioner will submit a statement assessing the applicant’s knowledge and practice ability in support of issuance of the renewable license.
2. Applicants who have been absent from practice for a period greater than 5 years must complete at least 300 hours of advanced nursing practice under the direct supervision of a fully licensed APRN or physician practicing in the same specialty practice area as that of the nurse seeking licensure. At the completion of the supervised practice, the supervising practitioner will submit a statement assessing the applicant’s knowledge and practice ability in support of issuance of the renewable license.
3. Applicants who have been absent from practice for a period of greater than 10 years must submit an assessment of knowledge and clinical ability as well as a plan for remediation for consideration by the APRN advisory committee of the Board. The advisory committee shall recommend a course of action for consideration by the Board.