

(C) ANY PERSON PRACTICING NURSING DURING THE TIME THE PERSON'S LICENSE HAS LAPSED SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE PRACTICING WITHOUT A LICENSE AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES PROVIDED FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(D) A NURSE WHO CEASES TO ENGAGE IN NURSING IN THIS STATE IS NOT REQUIRED TO PAY THE RENEWAL FEE AS LONG AS THE NURSE REMAINS INACTIVE. SHOULD THE NURSE WISH TO RESUME NURSING AT SOME FUTURE TIME, THE NURSE SHALL NOTIFY THE BOARD AND REMIT THE RENEWAL FEE FOR THE CURRENT BIENNIAL PERIOD.

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(A) AN INSTITUTION WHICH DESIRES TO CONDUCT A NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM TO PREPARE PROFESSIONAL OR PRACTICAL NURSES SHALL APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR APPROVAL TO DO SO AND SUBSEQUENTLY SUBMIT EVIDENCE TO THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSES THAT:

(1) IT IS PREPARED TO CARRY OUT A PROGRAM IN PROFESSIONAL NURSING EDUCATION OR A PROGRAM IN PRACTICAL NURSING EDUCATION, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

(2) IT IS PREPARED TO MEET THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBTITLE AND BY THE BOARD.

[[(B) FROM TIME TO TIME AS CONSIDERED NECESSARY BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD, THROUGH ITS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, SHALL DETERMINE THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL NURSES TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE IN THE STATE AND SHALL SURVEY ALL NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THE STATE TO DETERMINE IN WHICH AREAS THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL NURSES IS GREATEST.]] (B) THE BOARD SHALL EVALUATE THE PROPOSALS OF INSTITUTIONS DESIRING TO CONDUCT A NURSING PROGRAM FOR REGISTERED OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES AS TO THE NEED IN THAT AREA FOR THE TYPE OF NURSING PROGRAM THE INSTITUTION WISHES TO CONDUCT.

(C) A SURVEY OF THE ENTIRE NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM SHALL BE MADE BY PERSONS AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD, WHO SHALL SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT OF THE SURVEY TO THE BOARD. IF IN THE OPINION OF THE BOARD THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM ARE MET, THE PROGRAM SHALL BE LISTED AS A NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE PREPARATION OF PRACTITIONERS OF NURSING, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

(D) FROM TIME TO TIME AS CONSIDERED NECESSARY BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD, THROUGH ITS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES, SHALL SURVEY ALL NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THE STATE. WRITTEN REPORTS OF THESE SURVEYS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD. IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT ANY NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM IS NOT MAINTAINING THE