

**65-1131. Advance practice registered nurse; licensure; fees; license with temporary permit; exempt license; inactive license.**

- (a)(1) Licensure. Upon application to the board by any professional nurse in this state and upon satisfaction of the standards and requirements established by the board under K.S.A. 65-1130, and amendments thereto, the board may issue a license to such applicant authorizing the applicant to perform the duties of an advance practice registered nurse as defined by the board under K.S.A. 65-1130, and amendments thereto.
- (2) The board may issue a license to practice nursing as an advance practice registered nurse to an applicant who has been duly licensed or certified as an advance practice registered nurse under the laws of another state or territory if, in the opinion of the board, the applicant meets the licensure qualifications required of an advance practice registered nurse in this state. Verification of the applicant's licensure or certification status shall be required from the original state of licensure or certification.
- (3) An application to the board for a license, a license with temporary permit, renewal of a license and reinstatement of a license shall be upon such form and contain such information as the board may require and shall be accompanied by a fee, to be established by rules and regulations adopted by the board, to assist in defraying the expenses in connection with the issuance of licenses as advance practice registered nurses, in an amount fixed by the board under K.S.A. 65-1118, and amendments thereto.
- (4) An application for initial licensure or endorsement will be held awaiting completion of meeting qualifications for a time period specified in rules and regulations.
- (5) The executive administrator of the board shall remit all moneys received pursuant to this section to the state treasurer as provided by K.S.A. 74-1108, and amendments thereto.
- (b) The board may grant a one-time temporary permit to practice as an advance practice registered nurse for a period of not more than 180 days pending completion of the application for a license.
- (c) Exempt license. The board may issue an exempt license to any advance practice registered nurse as defined in rules and regulations who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board, who remits a fee as established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1118, and amendments thereto, and who is not regularly engaged in advanced practice registered nursing practice in Kansas but volunteers advanced practice registered nursing services or is a charitable health care provider as defined by K.S.A. 75-6102, and amendments thereto. Each exempt advance practice registered nurse shall be subject to all provisions of the nurse practice act. Each exempt license may be renewed biennially subject to the provisions of this section. To convert an exempt license to an active license, the exempt advance practice registered nurse shall meet all the requirements of subsection (a) or K.S.A. 65-1132, and amendments thereto.
- (d) Inactive license. The board may issue an inactive license to any advanced practice registered nurse as defined in rules and regulations who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board, who remits a fee as established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1118, and amendments thereto, and who is not regularly engaged in advanced practice registered nursing in Kansas. The holder of an inactive license shall not be required to submit evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing education required by K.S.A. 65-1117 and 65-1132, and amendments thereto. An inactive license shall not entitle the holder to engage in advanced practice registered nursing in this state. Each inactive license may be renewed subject to the provisions of this section. An inactive licensee may apply for a license to regularly engage in advanced practice registered nursing upon filing a written reinstatement application with the board. The application shall be on a form provided by the board and shall be accompanied by the license fee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1118, and amendments thereto. An applicant for a license to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse who has not been licensed to practice advanced practice registered nursing for five years preceding application shall be required to successfully complete a refresher course as defined by the board. The board shall by rules and regulations establish appropriate continuing education requirements for inactive licensees to become licensed to regularly engage in advanced practice registered nursing in this state. An advanced practice registered nurse who has been granted an inactive license pursuant to this subsection shall be exempt from the requirements of K.S.A. 40-3402 and 40-3404, and amendments thereto.
- (e) The board shall have authority to write rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

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