ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PROSTHETISTS AND ORTHOTISTS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CHAPTER 746-X-8 LICENSURE OF MASTECTOMY FITTERS

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746-X-8-.01 Purpose.

The purpose of this section is to set forth requirements for licensure of any individual who desires to be a Mastectomy Fitter as that term and function is defined in Code of Ala. 1975, §34-25-A-3(6).
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746-X-8-.02 Application Required.

(1) Application forms for licensure as a mastectomy fitter shall be adopted by the Board and shall be disseminated to prospective applicants. Application forms for licensure shall require educational and work experience.

(2) The Board directs the staff to prepare and create new forms to be used in the application and/or renewal process. Application forms shall require applicants to submit all information required by the law as established in the Code of Alabama.

(3) Application forms may be obtained upon written request from the Board office.

(4) The application and forms shall be submitted to the Board accompanied by an application fee of $175 and a license fee of $125. Any incomplete or missing information, documentation, or fees shall render the application incomplete.

No license shall be issued unless all application requirements have been met. Incomplete application will be considered abandoned after one year. Any applicable fees paid shall not be refunded.

(5) The Board may request additional information and further clarification of material submitted by an applicant to determine the applicant's ability as a mastectomy fitter.

(6) The applicant shall be provided a copy of the Board rules on unprofessional conduct. The applicant shall review such rules and state candidly and honestly whether the applicant has committed any acts that would constitute grounds for disciplinary action by the Board under the rules of the Board.

(7) The applicant will need to pay all application and license fees.

(8) It is the responsibility of the applicant to verify the applicant's identity and the validity of all documents or information submitted to the Board.

(9) The Board may contact other sources as necessary to verify information provided during the application process.

(10) Any applicant must be a citizen of the United States or if not a citizen of the United States, a person who is legally present with appropriate documentation from the federal government which should be submitted with the application

(a) Any individual desiring licensure as a Mastectomy Fitter shall submit an application in the form and manner approved and adopted by the Board. The application fee shall be One Hundred Seventy-Five and 00/100s Dollars ($175.00) and the licensure fee shall be One Hundred Twenty-Five and 00/100s Dollars ($125.00) which must be submitted with the application. Any application which is not complete shall not be processed until all required information is submitted. The applicant shall be notified of any deficiency in the application and informed of the time in which the deficiency must be corrected. If the deficiency is not timely corrected, the application shall be considered denied for lack of compliance. Application fees shall not be refunded.

(b) All applicants shall be familiar with the applicable statutes and rules. The application will contain an acknowledgment that the applicant has read the applicable statutes and rules, agrees to abide by them and understands a failure to comply may result in disciplinary action.

(c) In the event false information is submitted, the application may be denied and/or any license issued may be subject to discipline.

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746-X-8-.03 Scope Of Practice.

(1) A licensed mastectomy fitter is a health care professional who is specifically educated and trained in the provisions of breast prostheses and post-mastectomy services. This includes patient assessment, formation of the treatment plan, implementation of a treatment plan, follow-up and practice management which is consistent with nationally recognized programs which is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies.
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746-X-8-.04 Requirements For License.

(1) Effective January 1, 2017, applicants shall be nationally certified as a mastectomy fitter by the American Board for Certification (ABC), the Board of Certification/ Accreditation (BOC), or such other national certification agency as approved by the board, in the discipline for which the application is made.
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746-X-8-.05 Continuing Education.

(1) All licensed mastectomy fitters must certify that they have completed four (4) hours of continuing education credit for each calendar year. Two (2) of the required hours shall be in Alabama Law and Ethics.

(2) All continuing education courses shall be conducted by vendors in the business of supplying products to mastectomy fitters, the Alabama Prosthetic and Orthotic Association, and other Board approved educational organizations.
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746-X-8-.06 Renewal Of License.

(1) Licensees must renew their license by January 1 of each year on an application form provided by the Board.

(2) Licensees must pay annual renewal fee ($125.00) required by the Board.
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746-X-8-.07 Effective Date.

(1) All mastectomy fitters must become licensed by December 31, 2010. Anyone practicing as a mastectomy fitter after that date without a license shall be considered acting as such without a license and subject to any appropriate enforcement action initiated by the board.
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