

**CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY  
OTHNI LATHRAM, DIRECTOR**

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on Thursday, January 18, 2024, and filed with the agency secretary on Friday, January 19, 2024.

**AGENCY NAME:** Alabama Board of Medical Examiners

**INTENDED ACTION:** Amend

**RULE NO.:** 540-X-7-Appendix-E

(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being amended) **CME certification; NCCPA/NCCAA certification**

**RULE TITLE:** Physician Assistant/Anesthesiologist Assistant  
License Renewal

**ACTION TAKEN:** State whether the rule was adopted with or without changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments:

**Adopted without changes**

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XLII, ISSUE NO. 2, AAM,  
DATED THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023.

**STATUTORY RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** Ala. Code § 34-24-290 et seq

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Certifying Officer or his or her  
Deputy

(NOTE: In accordance with §41-22-6(b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.)

**540-X-7-Appendix-E      Physician Assistant/Anesthesiologist**  
**Assistant License Renewal.**  
**ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**APPENDIX E**  
**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT/ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT LICENSE RENEWAL**

**20XX Physician Assistant/Anesthesiologist Assistant License Renewal**  
**Deadline: December 31, 20XX**

Failure to apply for license renewal and pay renewal fee will result in the license automatically being placed in an inactive status, making it illegal for the holder to practice as a Physician Assistant/Anesthesiologist Assistant effective January 1, 20XX.

Under Alabama law, this document is a public record and will be provided upon request.

CME Certification: (Select One)

I hereby certify that I have met or will meet by December 31 the minimum continuing education requirement of 50 AMA PRA Category I Credits™ or equivalent continuing medical education earned within the immediately preceding two calendar years and have or will have supporting documentation if audited.

I hereby certify that I am exempt from the minimum continuing medical education requirement for the following reason (Select One)

I received my initial license to practice in Alabama in the calendar year 20XX.

I am exempt from the CME requirement for the calendar year 20XX because I am a member of a branch of the armed services and I was deployed for military service in the calendar year 20XX.

I have obtained a waiver from the Board of Medical Examiners due to illness, disability or other hardship condition which existed in the calendar year 20XX.

National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA):

Are you currently certified by NCCPA?

If your answer is "yes", provide your certification number and certification expiration date.

National Commission for Certification of Anesthesiologist Assistants (NCCAA):

Are you currently certified by NCCAA?

If your answer is "yes", provide your certification number and certification expiration date.

#### Professional Responsibility Certification

If any answer is "yes," please provide a detailed explanation in the space provided.

#### Legal:

1. Since your last renewal, have you been arrested for, cited for, charged with, or convicted of any crime, offense, or violation of any law, felony, or misdemeanor, including, but not limited to, offenses related to the practice of medicine or state or federal controlled substances laws?

\*This question excludes minor traffic violations such as speeding and parking tickets but includes felony and misdemeanor criminal matters that have been dismissed, expunged, sealed, subject to a diversion or deferred prosecution program, or otherwise set aside.

2. Since your last renewal, have you been arrested for, cited for, charged with, or convicted of any sex offender laws or required to register as a sex offender for any reason?

3. Since your last renewal, have you had a judgment rendered against you or action settled relating to an action for injury, damages, or wrongful death for breach of the standard of care in the performance of your professional service ("malpractice")?

4. Since your last renewal, to your knowledge, as of the date of this application, are you the subject of an investigation or proposed action by any law enforcement agency?

#### Administrative/Regulatory:

5. Since your last renewal, have you had any Drug Enforcement Administration registration and/or state controlled substances registration denied, voluntarily surrendered while under investigation, or subject to any discipline, including, but not limited to revocation, suspension, probation, restriction, conditions, reprimand, or fine?

6. Since your last renewal, have you been denied a license to practice as an assistant to physicians in any state or jurisdiction or has your application for a license to practice as an assistant to physicians been withdrawn under threat of denial?

7. Since your last renewal, has your certification or license to practice as an assistant to physicians in any state or jurisdiction been subject to any discipline, including but not limited to revocation, suspension, probation, restrictions, conditions, reprimand, or fine?

8. Since your last renewal, have your privileges at any hospital or health care facility been revoked, suspended, curtailed, limited, or placed under conditions restricting your practice?

9. To your knowledge, as of the date of this application and since your last renewal, are you the subject of an investigation or proposed action by any federal agency, any licensing board/agency, or any hospital or health care facility?

Health:

10. Within the past two years, have you been diagnosed as having or have you ever been treated for pedophilia, exhibitionism, or voyeurism?

11. Within the past two years, have you raised the issue of consumption of drugs or alcohol or the issue of a mental, emotional, nervous, or behavioral disorder or condition as a defense, mitigation, or explanation for your actions during any administrative or judicial proceeding or investigation; any inquiry or other proceeding; or any proposed termination by an educational institution; employer; government agency; professional organization; or licensing authority?

12. Since your last renewal, have you been convicted of driving under the influence (DUI), or have you been charged with DUI and been convicted of a lesser offense such as reckless driving?

13. Are you currently\* engaged in the excessive use of alcohol or controlled substances or in the use of illegal drugs, or receiving any therapy or treatment for alcohol or drug use, sexual boundary issues, or mental health issues?

\*The term "currently" does not mean on the day of, or even in the weeks or months preceding, the completion of this application. Rather, it means recently enough that the condition referred to may have an ongoing impact on one's functioning as an assistant to physicians within the past two years.

Notice: If you are an anonymous participant in the Alabama Professionals Health Program and are in compliance with your contract, you may answer "No" to this question. Such an answer for this purpose, upon certification, will not be deemed as providing false information to the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners.

13.a. **IMPORTANT:** The Board recognizes that licensees encounter health conditions, including those involving mental health and substance use disorders, just as their patients and other health care providers do. Licensees are expected to address their health concerns and ensure patient safety. Options include anonymously self-referring to the Alabama Professionals Health Program (334-954-2596), an advocacy organization dedicated to improving the health and wellness of medical professionals in a confidential manner. The failure to adequately address a health condition where the licensee is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety to patients can result in the Board taking action against the license to practice as an assistant to physicians.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please initial to certify that you understand and acknowledge your duty as a licensee to address any such condition as stated above.

Practice Interruption:

14. Since your last renewal, has your professional education, training, or practice been interrupted or suspended, or have you ceased to engage in direct patient care, for a period longer than 60 days for any reason other than a vacation or for the birth or adoption of a child?

Review the following Registration Agreements (RA) (If any):

Is this Registration Agreement still Active?

How many hours per week do you work under this Registration Agreement?

Please provide a date of termination

What was the reason this Registration Agreement was terminated

I understand and agree that by typing my name, I am providing an electronic signature that has the same legal effect as a written signature pursuant to Ala. Code §§8-1A-2 and 8-1A-7. I attest that the foregoing information has been provided by me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Knowingly providing false information to the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners could result in disciplinary action.

**Author:** Alabama Board of Medical Examiners

**Statutory Authority:** Ala. Code § 34-24-299

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