

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

TASK FORCE ON PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANTS - GENERAL RULES

(By authority conferred on the director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs by sections 16145 and 17060 of 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145 and 333.17060, and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1991-9, 1996-1, 1996-2, 2003-1 and 2011-4, MCL 338.3501, 330.3101, 445.2001, 445.2011, and 445.2030)

PART 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

R 338.6101 Definitions.

Rule 101. (1) As used in these rules:

(a) "Code" means 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211.

(b) "Department" means the department of licensing and regulatory affairs.

(c) "Task force" means the task force on physician's assistants.

(2) Terms defined in the code have the same meanings when used in these rules.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

R 338.6102 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

PART 2. PHYSICIANS' ASSISTANT PROGRAM APPROVAL

R 338.6201 Educational program standards; adoption by reference.

Rule 201. (1) The standards for accrediting educational programs for physician's assistants approved by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant (arc-pa) in the document entitled "Accreditation Standards for Physician Assistant Education, 4th Edition," effective September 1, 2010, updated December 7, 2012, are adopted by reference in these rules. The standards are available at no cost on the commission's website at <http://www.arc-pa.org>. Copies of the standards are also available for inspection and distribution at cost from the Michigan Task Force on Physician's Assistants, Bureau of Health Care Services, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

(2) Any educational program for physician's assistants that is accredited by the arc-pa meets the qualifications for an approved physician's assistant educational program.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

R 338.6202 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6203 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6204 Rescinded.

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R 338.6205 Rescinded.

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R 338.6206 Rescinded.

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R 338.6207 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6208 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6209 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6210 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6211 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

PART 3. PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT LICENSE

R 338.6301 Application for physician's assistant license; requirements.

Rule 301. An applicant for a physician's assistant license shall submit the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department. In addition to meeting the requirements of the code and these rules, an applicant shall meet both of the following requirements:

(a) Have graduated from an accredited educational program for physician's assistants that meets the standards in R 338.6201.

(b) Have passed the certifying examination conducted and scored by the national commission on certification of physician assistants (nccpa).

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

Editor's Note: An obvious error in R 338.6301 was corrected at the request of the promulgating agency, pursuant to Section 56 of 1969 PA 306, as amended by 2000 PA 262, MCL 24.256. The rule containing the error was published in *Michigan Register*, 2014 MR 6. The memorandum requesting the correction was published in *Michigan Register*, 2014 MR 8.

R 338.6302 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6303 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6304 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6305 Licensure by endorsement; requirements.

Rule 305. (1) An applicant for a physician's assistant license by endorsement, in addition to meeting the requirements of the code and these rules, shall submit the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department. An applicant who satisfies the requirements of the code and this rule, is presumed to meet the requirements of section 16186, MCL 333.16186, of the code.

(2) If the applicant was first licensed, certified, or registered to practice as a physician's assistant in another state before July 7, 1986, then the applicant shall submit evidence of having passed the certifying examination conducted and scored by the nccpa.

(3) If the applicant was first licensed, certified, or registered to practice as a physician's assistant in another state on or after July 7, 1986, the applicant shall meet both of the following requirements:

(a) Have graduated from an accredited educational program for physician's assistants that meets the standards in R 338.6201.

(b) Have passed the certifying examination conducted and scored by the nccpa.

(4) An applicant shall have his or her license, certification, or registration verified by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license, certification, or registration or ever held a license, certification, or registration as a physician's assistant. If applicable, verification shall include the record of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the applicant.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

R 338.6306 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6307 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

R 338.6308 Requirements for relicensure.

Rule 308. (1) An applicant whose license has lapsed for less than 3 years preceding the date of application for relicensure may be relicensed under section 16201(3), MCL 333.16201(3), of the code if the applicant submits the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department.

(2) An applicant whose license has lapsed for 3 years or more preceding the date of application for relicensure may be relicensed under section 16201(4), MCL 333.16201(4), of the code if the applicant submits the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department and meets either of the following requirements:

(a) Presents evidence to the department that he or she was licensed as a physician's assistant in another state of the United States during the 3-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for relicensure.

(b) Establishes that he or she passed either the certifying or recertifying examination conducted and scored by the nccpa during the 10-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for relicensure.

(3) An applicant shall have his or her license, certification, or registration verified by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license, certification, or registration or ever held a license, certification, or registration as a physician's assistant. If applicable, verification shall include the record of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the applicant.

History: 1990 AACCS; 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

R 338.6309 Advertising.

Rule 309. (1) A licensee practicing as a physician's assistant in this state shall use the words "physician's assistant" or "physician assistant" or the initials "P.A." in conjunction with his or her names on all signs, letterheads, business cards, or similar items of identification.

History: 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

R 338.6311 License renewal; requirements.

Rule 311. An applicant for license renewal who has been licensed for the 2-year period immediately preceding the application for renewal shall submit the required fee.

History: 2014 MR 6, Eff. March 20, 2014.

PART 4. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

R 338.6401 Rescinded.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1996 AACCS.