**Section 1300.40 Renewals**

a) Every APRN license issued under the Act, including APRNs granted full practice authority, shall expire on May 31 of each even-numbered year. The holder of a license may renew the license during the month preceding the expiration date by paying the fee required by Section 1300.30. During every renewal, a renewal applicant will be required to complete 80 hours of continuing education as set forth in Section 1300.130. A licensee's registered nurse license shall be renewed in order to renew the advanced practice registered nurse license. At the time of renewal, APRNs shall attest to continued, current national certification in their specialty, except an advanced practice registered nurse who has continuously held an unencumbered license under the Act since 2001 and does not meet the educational requirements necessary to obtain national certification as provided in Section 65-15(c) of the Act.

b) Every registered professional nurse license issued under the Act shall expire on May 31 of each even-numbered year. The holder of a license may renew the license during the month preceding the expiration date by paying the fee required by Section 1300.30. During every renewal, a renewal applicant will be required to complete 20 hours of continuing education as set forth in Section 1300.130.

c) Every licensed practical nurse license issued under the Act shall expire on January 31 of each odd-numbered year. The holder of a license may renew the license during the month preceding the expiration date by paying the fee required by Section 1300.30. During every renewal, a renewal applicant will be required to complete 20 hours of continuing education as set forth in Section 1300.130.

d) It is the responsibility of each licensee to notify the Division of any change of address or email address. Failure to receive a renewal form from the Division shall not constitute an excuse for failure to pay the renewal fee.

e) Practice on a license that has expired is the unlicensed practice of nursing and shall be grounds for discipline pursuant to Section 70-5 of the Act.

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