

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Nurse Practice Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 65-43 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 65/65-43)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

8 Sec. 65-43. Full practice authority.

9 (a) An Illinois-licensed advanced practice registered  
10 nurse certified as a nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, or  
11 clinical nurse specialist shall be deemed by law to possess  
12 the ability to practice without a written collaborative  
13 agreement as set forth in this Section.

14 (b) An advanced practice registered nurse certified as a  
15 nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse  
16 practitioner who files with the Department a notarized  
17 attestation of completion of at least 250 hours of continuing  
18 education or training and at least 4,000 hours of clinical  
19 experience after first attaining national certification shall  
20 not require a written collaborative agreement, ~~except as~~  
21 ~~specified in subsection (c)~~. Documentation of successful  
22 completion shall be provided to the Department upon request.

23 Continuing education or training hours required by

1 subsection (b) shall be in the advanced practice registered  
2 nurse's area of certification as set forth by Department rule.

3 The clinical experience must be in the advanced practice  
4 registered nurse's area of certification. The clinical  
5 experience shall be in collaboration with a physician or  
6 physicians. Completion of the clinical experience must be  
7 attested to by the collaborating physician or physicians or  
8 employer and the advanced practice registered nurse. If the  
9 collaborating physician or physicians or employer is unable to  
10 attest to the completion of the clinical experience, the  
11 Department may accept other evidence of clinical experience as  
12 established by rule.

13 (c) The scope of practice of an advanced practice  
14 registered nurse with full practice authority includes:

15 (1) all matters included in subsection (c) of Section  
16 65-30 of this Act;

17 (2) practicing without a written collaborative  
18 agreement in all practice settings consistent with  
19 national certification;

20 (3) authority to prescribe both legend drugs and  
21 Schedule II through V controlled substances; this  
22 authority includes prescription of, selection of, orders  
23 for, administration of, storage of, acceptance of samples  
24 of, and dispensing over the counter medications, legend  
25 drugs, and controlled substances categorized as any  
26 Schedule II through V controlled substances, as defined in

1 Article II of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, and  
2 other preparations, including, but not limited to,  
3 botanical and herbal remedies;

4 (4) prescribing benzodiazepines or Schedule II  
5 narcotic drugs, such as opioids, only in a consultation  
6 relationship with a physician; this consultation  
7 relationship shall be recorded in the Prescription  
8 Monitoring Program website, pursuant to Section 316 of the  
9 Illinois Controlled Substances Act, by the physician and  
10 advanced practice registered nurse with full practice  
11 authority and is not required to be filed with the  
12 Department; the specific Schedule II narcotic drug must be  
13 identified by either brand name or generic name; the  
14 specific Schedule II narcotic drug, such as an opioid, may  
15 be administered by oral dosage or topical or transdermal  
16 application; delivery by injection or other route of  
17 administration is not permitted; at least monthly, the  
18 advanced practice registered nurse and the physician must  
19 discuss the condition of any patients for whom a  
20 benzodiazepine or opioid is prescribed; nothing in this  
21 subsection shall be construed to require a prescription by  
22 an advanced practice registered nurse with full practice  
23 authority to require a physician name;

24 (5) authority to obtain an Illinois controlled  
25 substance license and a federal Drug Enforcement  
26 Administration number; and

1           (6) use of only local anesthetic.

2           The scope of practice of an advanced practice registered  
3 nurse does not include operative surgery. Nothing in this  
4 Section shall be construed to preclude an advanced practice  
5 registered nurse from assisting in surgery.

6           (d) The Department may adopt rules necessary to administer  
7 this Section, including, but not limited to, requiring the  
8 completion of forms and the payment of fees.

9           (e) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize an  
10 advanced practice registered nurse with full practice  
11 authority to provide health care services required by law or  
12 rule to be performed by a physician.

13           (Source: P.A. 100-513, eff. 1-1-18; 101-13, eff. 6-12-19.)