



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES
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April 23, 2021

Dear Program Administrators of West Virginia Dialysis Technician Training Programs,

The West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses (Board) in session on April 23, 2021, took the following actions, effective June 1, 2021. Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 12-21 permitting the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, in their discretion, to suspend or modify the requirements for application for certification; temporary permit and endorsement of certification, the Board **reinstates** the requirements contained in W. Va. Code of Legislative Rules 19-13-14.1.c by **deleting** the language "Provided that, if the facility where the applicant is to submit finger prints for the purposes set forth in this rule is closed due to the emergency_ caused by_ the COVID-19 crisis and the applicant cannot report to a different facility within a 50 mile radius of the applicant's home, the applicant shall submit to the requirements of this rule as soon as the state of emergency is lifted by the Governor in West Virginia or as soon as other fingerprinting resources have become made available to the applicant, whichever comes first. In no such case shall applicants submit to criminal history records checks later than thirty (30) days after the state of emergency has been lifted by the Governor."

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 12-21 permitting the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, in their discretion, to suspend or modify the requirements for application for certification, temporary permit and endorsement certification, the Board **reinstates** the requirements contained in W. Va. Code of Legislative Rules 19-13-14.2 by **reinserting** the language "three (3) days following receipt by the applicant and the board of the results of the first written certification examination or after 18 months whichever is sooner' and **deleting** "the declared state of emergency is lifted and testing is available. In no such case shall applicants submit to testing later than thirty (30) days after the state of emergency has been lifted by the Governor and testing is available."

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 12-21 permitting the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, in their discretion, to suspend or modify the requirements for application for certification; temporary permit and endorsement of certification, the Board **reinstates** the requirements contained in W. Va. Code of Legislative Rules 19-13-14.8.e by **deleting** the language ", Provided that, if the facility where the applicant is to submit finger prints for the purposes set forth in this rule is closed due to the emergency_ caused by_ the COVID-19 crisis and the applicant cannot report to a different facility within a 50 mile radius of the applicant's home, the applicant shall submit to the requirements of this rule as soon as the state of emergency is lifted by the Governor in West Virginia or as soon as other

fingerprinting resources have become made available to the applicant, whichever comes first. In no such case shall applicants submit to criminal history records checks later than thirty (30) days after the state of emergency has been lifted by the Governor.”

Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order 12-21 permitting the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, in their discretion, to suspend or modify the requirements for minimum standards of dialysis technician training programs, the Board **reinstates** the requirements contained in W. Va. Code of Legislative Rules 19-13-6 Minimum Standards of a Dialysis Technician Training Programs by **reinserting** the language in 19-13-6.f.1 “which may be supported by audio visuals, shall include” and **deleting** “can be met utilizing any available mechanism including, simulation, telecommunications or by any other acceptable form as determined by the school. Board approved programs shall file a report with the Board at least thirty days prior to its October Board meeting outlining how the clinical requirements were met during the declared state of emergency.”

Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order 12-21 permitting the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, in their discretion, to suspend or modify the requirements for minimum standards of a dialysis technician training program, the Board **reinstates** the requirements contained in W. Va. Code of Legislative Rules 19-13-6 Minimum Standards of a Dialysis Technician Training Programs by **deleting** the language “Board approved programs shall file a report with the Board at least thirty days prior to its October Board meeting outlining how the clinical requirements were met during the declared state of emergency.”

Should you have any questions, concerns or require further assistance please contact me directly.

For the Board,



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