



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4723.44 Unauthorized practice.

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(A) No person shall do any of the following unless the person holds a current, valid certificate of authority to practice nursing as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner issued by the board of nursing under this chapter:

(1) Engage in the practice of nursing as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner for a fee, salary, or other consideration, or as a volunteer;

(2) Represent the person as being a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner;

(3) Use any title or initials implying that the person is a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner;

(4) Represent the person as being an advanced practice registered nurse;

(5) Use any title or initials implying that the person is an advanced practice registered nurse.

(B) No person who is not certified by the national council on certification of nurse anesthetists of the American association of nurse anesthetists, the national council on recertification of nurse anesthetists of the American association of nurse anesthetists, or another national certifying organization approved by the board under section 4723.46 of the Revised Code shall use the title "certified registered nurse anesthetist" or the initials "C.R.N.A.," or any other title or initial implying that the person has been certified by the council or organization.

(C) No certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner shall do any of the following:



- (1) Engage, for a fee, salary, or other consideration, or as a volunteer, in the practice of a nursing specialty other than the specialty designated on the nurse's current, valid certificate of authority issued by the board under this chapter;
 - (2) Represent the person as being authorized to practice any nursing specialty other than the specialty designated on the current, valid certificate of authority;
 - (3) Use the title "certified registered nurse anesthetist" or the initials "N.A." or "C.R.N.A.," the title "clinical nurse specialist" or the initials "C.N.S.," the title "certified nurse-midwife" or the initials "C.N.M.," the title "certified nurse practitioner" or the initials "C.N.P.," the title "advanced practice registered nurse" or the initials "A.P.R.N.," or any other title or initials implying that the nurse is authorized to practice any nursing specialty other than the specialty designated on the nurse's current, valid certificate of authority;
 - (4) Enter into a standard care arrangement with a physician or podiatrist whose practice is not the same as or similar to the nurse's nursing specialty;
 - (5) Prescribe drugs or therapeutic devices unless the nurse holds a current, valid certificate to prescribe issued under section 4723.48 of the Revised Code;
 - (6) Prescribe drugs or therapeutic devices under a certificate to prescribe in a manner that does not comply with section 4723.481 of the Revised Code;
 - (7) Prescribe any drug or device to perform or induce an abortion, or otherwise perform or induce an abortion.
- (D) No person shall knowingly employ a person to engage in the practice of nursing as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner unless the person so employed holds a current, valid certificate of authority to engage in that nursing specialty issued by the board under this chapter.
- (E) A certificate certified by the executive director of the board, under the official seal of the board,



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to the effect that it appears from the records that no certificate of authority to practice nursing as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner has been issued to any person specified therein, or that a certificate, if issued, has been revoked or suspended, shall be received as prima-facie evidence of the record in any court or before any officer of the state.