

# Nurse, Registered (RN)

Use the principles of biological, physical and behavioral science in assessing and identifying the physical and psychosocial health status of the patient/consumer. Provide for the maintenance of health and the prevention of illness through teaching, counseling and services supportive to the continuance or improvement of health and well-being. The professional nurse teaches and directs the nursing care provider in implementing therapeutic plans of care to effectively carry out the nursing regimen and collaborates with the physician, advanced practice registered nurse or dentist in the implementation of the medical regimen.

## Legislation

Statute: NH RSA 326-B  
Administrative Rules: Chapter Nur 100 - 800

## Licensure Requirements

- Attestation of good professional character and good physical and mental health
- Ability to read and write the English language
- Be a graduate of an approved registered nursing program or demonstrate comparable education
- Applicants for initial permanent licensure or endorsement must submit a notarized criminal history record release form along with a complete set of fingerprints taken by a qualified law enforcement agency or authorized employee of the New Hampshire Department of Safety
- To continue or re-enter practice, validate 400 hours active-in-practice within four years prior to application
- Foreign educated nurses have very different requirements which are available at: <https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board-nursing-forms-and-other-documents>

## Regulatory Agency

### New Hampshire Board of Nursing

Office of Professional Licensure and Certification  
7 Eagle Square  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

*phone* (603) 271-2152

*web* <[www.oplc.nh.gov/new-hampshire-board-nursing](http://www.oplc.nh.gov/new-hampshire-board-nursing)>

*contact* Licensing

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## Examination

Written examination required

## Continuing Education

Provide proof of continuing education. Thirty hours of workshops, conferences, lectures, or in-service educational offerings per renewal period designed to enhance nursing knowledge, judgement, and skills

## Reciprocity

The Nurse Licensure Compact allows nurses to have one multistate license, with the ability to practice in both their home state and other party states. You must apply for multi-state license in the state in which you reside. Single-state status occurs with discipline on license, not meeting another compact state's requirement for multi-state license and with comparable education licensing or if not a resident of New Hampshire

## Fees

NCLEX Examination/Pearson Vue Registration . . . . .	\$200.00
Initial licensure . . . . .	\$120.00
Endorsement . . . . .	\$120.00
Reinstatement . . . . .	\$120.00
Biennial renewal . . . . .	\$80.00
Temporary licensure . . . . .	\$20.00
Combined FBI and New Hampshire State Police Criminal Record Check-Including fingerprints . . . . .	\$48.25

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### Active Licenses

24,995

### O\*Net Codes

29-1141.00 Registered Nurses

### Related Training

Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse;  
Adult Health Nurse/Nursing; Pediatric  
Nurse/Nursing; Psychiatric/Mental Health  
Nurse/Nursing; Public Health/Community  
Nurse/Nursing; Critical Care Nursing;  
Nursing Administration; Maternal/Child  
Health and Neonatal Nurses/Nursing;  
Nursing Science; Perioperative/operating  
Room and Surgical Nurse/Nursing;  
Occupational and Environmental Health  
Nurse/Nursing; Emergency Room/Trauma  
Nursing; Clinical Nurse Leader; Geriatric  
Nurse/Nursing; Women's Health Nurse/  
Nursing; Nursing Practice; Palliative Care  
Nursing; Nursing Education/Nursing  
Science

### Additional Information Sources

National Council of State Boards of Nursing  
<[www.ncsbn.org](http://www.ncsbn.org)>

New Hampshire Nurse's Association  
<[www.nhnurses.org](http://www.nhnurses.org)>