

## Oklahoma Nurses Can Use Certification to Renew License <sup>[1]</sup>

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The Oklahoma Board of Nursing recently passed regulations that allow nurses to use specialty nursing certification to renew their licenses.

The revisions, which become effective July 1, evaluate practice qualifications for licensed nurses.

Under the measure, a licensed nurse will be required to verify that he/she was employed in a position that requires a nursing license with verification of at least 520 hours, or has completed at least 24 contact hours of continuing education applicable to nursing practice, or is certified in a nursing specialty area, or has completed a board-approved refresher course, or has completed at least 6 academic semester credit hours of nursing coursework at the licensee's current level of licensure or higher.

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