

6400.6655 PRACTICUM DURATION.

Subpart 1. **Duration of individual student practicums.** An applicant must complete a 1,000-hour practicum unless the applicant presents evidence to the board that the applicant has experience as described in subpart 2 for a reduction in the number of practicum hours. The board shall determine the minimum number of hours of practicum to be completed by an applicant by comparing the applicant's expertise to the requirements in subpart 2 and shall notify the applicant of the board's decision.

Subp. 2. **Waiver and minimum number of hours.** An individual may qualify for a reduction in hours or waiver of the 1,000-hour practicum by providing evidence of the following documented health care experience and satisfying the board-approved assessment tool:

A. 750 hours for an individual with two or more years of managerial or administrative employment experience, including supervision of at least 25 employees and responsibility for an annual budget of at least \$1,000,000;

B. 750 hours for an individual who has two or more years of employment in a hospital or nursing facility in any professional capacity or in any direct patient care capacity;

C. 500 hours for an individual who has served two or more years as a department manager with supervisory and budgetary responsibility or meets one or more of the following criteria:

(1) the individual does not meet the requirements for assistant administrator under item D or the definition in part 6400.5100, but has otherwise held that title in a nursing facility or hospital and has performed under the title for two or more years;

(2) the individual has served, for two or more years, as director of nurses in a hospital or registered housing with services establishment that has an arranged comprehensive home care license; or

(3) the individual has served as a housing manager in an assisted living facility or registered housing with services establishment that has an arranged comprehensive home care license;

D. 200 hours for an individual who has served one or more years as a full-time hospital administrator or hospital assistant administrator with responsibility for both resident care and administrative functions, or who has served two or more years as a full-time director of nurses in a nursing facility; or

E. the documented experience requirement is waived for an individual who has one year of continuous full-time employment as the assistant administrator, chief executive officer, senior leadership person with a nursing home administrator or health services executive reporting directly to them, or an equivalent role with responsibility for both resident care and administrative functions. Time working as an acting administrator under an acting license or permit in the same nursing facility where the individual also served as the assistant administrator, chief executive officer, or equivalent role meets this requirement if the individual's employment under both titles combined was one continuous year.

Subp. 3. **Method of measuring experience.** The amount of experience required to qualify for a practicum reduction under subpart 2, items C, D, and E, shall be measured in full-time equivalency at the rate of 35 hours per week.

Subp. 4. **Effective date.** An applicant who applies on or after September 1, 2017, must follow the requirements in this part.

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