

**DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS**

**DIRECTOR'S OFFICE**

**TASK FORCE ON PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANTS – GENERAL RULES**

(By authority conferred on the director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs by sections 16145, 16148, 17060, and 17068 of 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145, 333.16148, 333.17060, and 333.17068, and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1991-9, 1996-2, 2003-1, and 2011-4, MCL 338.3501, 445.2001, 445.2011, and 445.2030)

**PART 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**R 338.6101 Definitions.**

Rule 101. (1) As used in these rules:

- (a) "Code" means the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211.
  - (b) "Department" means the department of licensing and regulatory affairs.
  - (c) "Task force" means the Michigan task force on physician's assistants created under section 17025 of the code, MCL 333.17025.
- (2) The terms defined in the code have the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 1980 AACS; 1990 AACS; 2014 AACS; 2019 AACS.

**R 338.6102 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACS; 1990 AACS.

**R 338.6103 Training standards for identifying victims of human trafficking; requirements.**

Rule 103. (1) Pursuant to section 17060 of the code, MCL 333.17060, an individual seeking licensure or licensed shall complete training in identifying victims of human trafficking that meets the following standards:

- (a) Training content shall cover all of the following:
  - (i) Understanding the types and venues of human trafficking in Michigan or the United States.
  - (ii) Identifying victims of human trafficking in health care settings.
  - (iii) Identifying the warning signs of human trafficking in health care settings for adults and minors.
  - (iv) Resources for reporting the suspected victims of human trafficking.
- (b) Acceptable providers or methods of training include any of the following:
  - (i) Training offered by a nationally recognized or state-recognized, health-related organization.

- (ii) Training offered by, or in conjunction with, a state or federal agency.
  - (iii) Training obtained in an educational program that has been approved by the task force for initial licensure, or by a college or university.
  - (iv) Reading an article related to the identification of victims of human trafficking that meets the requirements of subdivision (1)(a) of this subrule and is published in a peer review journal, health care journal, or professional or scientific journal.
- (c) Acceptable modalities of training may include any of the following:
- (i) Teleconference or webinar.
  - (ii) Online presentation.
  - (iii) Live presentation.
  - (iv) Printed or electronic media.
- (2) The department may select and audit a sample of individuals and request documentation of proof of completion of training. If audited by the department, an individual shall provide an acceptable proof of completion of training, including either of the following:
- (a) Proof of completion certificate issued by the training provider that includes the date, provider name, name of training, and individual's name.
  - (b) A self-certification statement by an individual. The certification statement shall include the individual's name and either of the following:
    - (i) For training completed pursuant to subrule (1)(b)(i) to (iii) of this rule, the date, training provider name, and name of training.
    - (ii) For training completed pursuant to subrule (1)(b)(iv) of this rule, the title of article, author, publication name of peer review journal, health care journal, or professional or scientific journal, and date, volume, and issue of publication, as applicable.
- (3) Pursuant to section 16148 of the code, MCL 333.16148, the requirements specified in subrule (1) of this rule apply for license renewals beginning with the 2016 renewal cycle and for initial licenses issued after April 22, 2021.

History: 2016 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

## **PART 2. PHYSICIANS' ASSISTANT PROGRAM APPROVAL**

### **R 338.6201 Educational program standards; adoption by reference.**

Rule 201. (1) The standards for accrediting educational programs for physician's assistants approved by the accreditation review commission on education for the physician assistant (ARC-PA) in the document entitled "Accreditation Standards for Physician Assistant Education, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition," effective September 1, 2010, updated March 8, 2018, are adopted by reference in these rules. The standards are available at no cost on the commission's website at <http://www.arc-pa.org>. Copies of the standards are also available for inspection and distribution at cost from the Michigan Task Force on Physician's Assistants, Bureau of Professional Licensing, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

(2) Only educational programs for physician's assistants that are accredited by the ARC-PA are approved physician's assistant educational programs.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

**R 338.6202 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6203 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6204 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6205 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6206 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6207 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6208 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6209 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6210 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6211 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**PART 3. PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT LICENSE**

**R 338.6301 Application for physician's assistant license; requirements.**

Rule 301. An applicant for a physician's assistant license shall submit the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department. In addition to meeting the requirements of the code and these rules, an applicant shall meet both of the following requirements:

(a) Have graduated from an accredited educational program for physician's assistants that meets the standards in R 338.6201.

(b) Have passed the certifying examination conducted and scored by the national commission on certification of physician assistants (NCCPA).

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

**R 338.6302 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6303 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6304 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

**R 338.6305 Licensure by endorsement; requirements.**

Rule 305. (1) An applicant for a physician's assistant license by endorsement, in addition to meeting the requirements of the code and these rules, shall submit the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department. An applicant who satisfies the requirements of the code and this rule, is presumed to meet the requirements of section 16186, MCL 333.16186, of the code.

(2) If the applicant was first licensed, certified, or registered to practice as a physician's assistant in another state before July 7, 1986, then the applicant shall submit evidence of having passed the certifying examination conducted and scored by the NCCPA.

(3) If the applicant was first licensed, certified, or registered to practice as a physician's assistant in another state on or after July 7, 1986, the applicant shall meet both of the following requirements:

(a) Have graduated from an accredited educational program for physician's assistants that meets the standards in R 338.6201.

(b) Have passed the certifying examination conducted and scored by the NCCPA.

(4) An applicant shall have his or her license, certification, or registration verified by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license, certification, or registration or ever held a license, certification, or registration as a physician's assistant. If applicable, verification shall include the record of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the applicant.

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS; 2014 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

### **R 338.6306 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

### **R 338.6307 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1990 AACCS.

### **R 338.6308 Requirements for relicensure.**

Rule 308. (1) An applicant for relicensure whose license has been lapsed for less than 3 years preceding the date of application may be relicensed under section 16201(3) of the code, MCL 333.16201(3), if the applicant satisfies all of the following requirements:

(a) Submits the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department.

(b) Establishes that he or she is of good moral character.

(c) Has his or her license, certification, or registration verified, on a form provided by the department, by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license, certification, or registration or ever held a license, certification, or registration as a physician's assistant. Verification includes, but is not limited to, showing proof of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the applicant.

(2) An applicant for relicensure whose license has been lapsed for 3 years or more preceding the date of application may be relicensed under section 16201(4) of the code, MCL 333.16201(4), if the applicant satisfies all of the following requirements:

(a) Submits the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department.

(b) Establishes that he or she is of good moral character.

(c) Submits fingerprints as set forth in section 16174(3) of the code, MCL 333.16174(3).

(d) Does either of the following:

(i) Presents evidence to the department that he or she was licensed as a physician's assistant in another state of the United States during the 3-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for relicensure.

(ii) Establishes that he or she passed either the certifying or recertifying examination conducted and scored by the NCCPA during the 10-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for relicensure.

(e) Has his or her license, certification, or registration verified, on a form provided by the department, by the licensing agency of any state of the United States in which the applicant holds a current license, certification, or registration or ever held a license, certification, or registration as a physician's assistant. Verification includes, but is not limited to, showing proof of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the applicant.

History: 1990 AACCS; 2014 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

**R 338.6309 Rescinded.**

History: 2014 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

**R 338.6311 License renewal; requirements.**

Rule 311. An applicant for license renewal who has been licensed for the 2-year period immediately preceding the application for renewal shall submit the required fee and a completed application on a form provided by the department.

History: 2014 AACCS; 2019 AACCS.

**PART 4. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**R 338.6401 Rescinded.**

History: 1980 AACCS; 1996 AACCS.