DIALYSIS TECHNICIAN TRAINING PROGRAM

Initial Approval and Re-approval General Information

All dialysis training programs in Ohio must be approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing (Board) in order to provide training to technicians who wish to obtain a certificate to practice as a dialysis technician in Ohio. The approval process for a dialysis training program is outlined in Rule 4723-23-7 Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). This and other rules pertaining to dialysis technicians are located in Chapter 4723-23, OAC, which should be viewed in its entirety on the Board of Nursing website: www.nursing.ohio.gov under the “Law and Rules” link.

THE BOARD SHALL APPROVE AND RE-APPROVE DIALYSIS TECHNICIAN TRAINING PROGRAMS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) A dialysis technician training program that seeks to be approved by the Board shall:

(1) Submit to the Board a completed application on a form specified by the Board, which includes the following:

   (a) Identifying information;
   
   (b) Information regarding administrative processes of the program;
   
   (c) A description of the record-keeping system to be used by the training program to assure accurate reporting to the Board of individuals who have enrolled in and who did or did not successfully complete the program;
   
   (d) A copy of the policies required by Rule 4723-23-08 of the Administrative Code; and
   
   (e) Any other information requested by the Board;

(2) Submit payment of a program approval fee of three hundred dollars.

No more than one hundred twenty days after receipt of a complete application for approval, the Board shall make a determination regarding the approval status of the training program;

(B) Approval shall be current for two years provided the program demonstrates that the standards set forth in Rule 4723-23-08 of the Administrative Code are met and maintained throughout the two-year approval period.
(C) A dialysis technician training program seeking re-approval by the Board shall submit to the Board ninety days before the approval expires the following:

(1) A re-approval application on a form specified by the Board which includes, but is not limited to, verification that the program meets and has maintained the standards set forth in Rule 4723-23-08 of the Administrative Code;

(2) Payment of a program re-approval fee of three hundred dollars; and

(3) Any other information requested by the Board.

(D) The Board shall provide written notification to the dialysis technician training program seeking approval or re-approval if additional information is needed. The notice shall specify a time frame for submission of the required information;

(E) At a regularly scheduled Board meeting the Board shall review the completed application for approval or re-approval and all other documentation to determine compliance with this rule and Rule 4723-23-08 of the Administrative Code. The Board shall approve or re-approve a program when the program meets the requirements of this chapter of the Administrative Code;

(F) The Board shall provide written notification to the program of the program’s approval status;

(G) When a complete application for re-approval is submitted to the Board in accordance with paragraph (C) of this rule and the Board fails to make a determination before the program’s approval expires, the Board shall issue a notice to the nurse responsible for administering the program extending approval of the program until Board action is taken on the re-approval application;

(H) If at any time a dialysis training program approved by the Board or a program seeking approval or re-approval appears not to meet or maintain the minimum Standards set forth in Rule 4723-23-08 of the Administrative Code:

(1) The Board shall submit to the nurse responsible for administering the program a written deficiency report, which identifies the standard, or standards not met or maintained and shall include the date on which the Board is to consider the deficiency report;

(2) Within thirty days after receipt of the deficiency report, the nurse responsible for administering the program may submit to the Board either:

(a) A written plan of correction which sets forth the steps taken by the program to meet or Maintain each minimum standard identified in the report as not being met or maintained; or
(b) A written response to the report setting forth evidence that the program is meeting and maintaining each minimum standard identified in the report as not being met or maintained;

(3) Based on the deficiency report; the program’s response to the report, if any; and any other relevant evidence, the Board may grant approval, continue approval, or propose to deny or withdraw approval of the program.

The Board shall deny or withdraw approval of a program only pursuant to adjudication in accordance with Chapter 119. Of the Revised Code; and

Based upon the information provided, the Board will make a determination of the program's approval status.

Program approval is good for two years. Training programs will be notified in writing of the Board's action.

Training programs seeking re-approval by the Board shall submit a re-approval application to the Board at least 90 days prior to the expiration of the program's approval.

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