



PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT RULES

Significant changes were made to the physician assistant practice act, Chapter 4730 of the Ohio Revised Code, in Senate Bill 110, effective October 15, 2015. As a result, the rules applicable to physician assistants must be reviewed for consistency with the new provisions of the Ohio Revised Code.

The Medical Board, with the recommendation of the Physician Assistant Policy Committee, plans to amend those rules that are necessary to implement the Ohio Revised Code and rescind all rules that merely restate the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code or which are no longer required. The plan calls for guidance documents to be issued where appropriate instead of having rules that merely restate the Ohio Revised Code. Current guidance documents are available on the Medical Board's website at the following link:

<http://med.ohio.gov/PASB110Implementation.aspx>.

PAPC and the Medical Board have completed initial review of the following rules, and are seeking interested party comment through May 12, 2016:

- 4730-1-02 Physician assistant practice:** Proposed to be rescinded
- 4730-1-03 Duties of a supervising physician:** Proposed to be rescinded
- 4730-1-04 Supervision:** Proposed to be rescinded
- 4730-1-06 Certificate to practice as a physician assistant:** Proposed to be amended
- Changes "certificate to practice" to "license;"
 - Strikes the reference to administrative hearings in paragraph (E) because the content of the paragraph merely recites what is in the Ohio Revised Code and is not needed to implement the Ohio Revised Code
 - New paragraph (E) references Rule 4731-6-35, OAC, for the processing of applications from service members, veterans, or spouses of service members or veterans;
 - New paragraph (G) describes how to obtain a valid prescriber number for a current licensee who does not have one;
 - New paragraph (J) sets continuing education requirements for renewal of a license with a valid prescriber number, and adds "American Academy of Physician Assistants," American Council on Pharmacy Education," and advanced instructional programs in pharmacology approved by the Ohio board of nursing pursuant to rule;
 - New paragraph (K) sets forth the mechanism for a physician assistant on active duty in any of the armed forces to apply for an extension of the continuing education period.
- 4730-1-07 Miscellaneous provisions:** Proposed to be amended
- Adds Rule 4731-11-04.1 and the rules in Chapters 4731-25 and 4731-29 to the rules applicable to physician assistants;
 - Changes "certificate to practice" to "license."
- 4730-2-03 Application for a provisional certificate to prescribe:** Proposed to be rescinded
- 4730-3-01 Definitions** (related to criminal records checks): Proposed to be amended
- Amends language to current terminology.
- 4730-3-02 Criminal records checks:** Proposed to be amended
- Amends language to current terminology.

Please send comments no later than **May 12, 2016** to: Sallie.Debolt@med.ohio.gov

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Miscellaneous provisions.

For purposes of Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code and Chapters 4730-1 and 4730-2 of the Administrative Code:

- (A) An adjudication hearing held pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code shall be conducted in conformance with the provisions of Chapter 4731-13 of the Administrative Code.
- (B) The provisions of Chapters 4731-13, 4731-14, 4731-15, 4731-16, 4731-17, 4731-18, 4731-19, 4731-21, [4731-25](#), 4731-26, ~~and~~ 4731-28, ~~and~~ [4731-29](#) of the Administrative Code and rules 4731-11-01, 4731-11-02, 4731-11-03, 4731-11-04, [4731-11-04.1](#), ~~4731-11-05~~, 4731-11-06, 4731-11-07, 4731-11-08, and 4731-11-09 of the Administrative Code are applicable to the holder of a ~~certificate to practice as~~ a physician assistant [license](#) issued pursuant to section 4730.12 of the Revised Code, as though fully set forth in Chapter 4730-1 or 4730-2 of the Administrative Code.
- ~~(C) A holder of a certificate to practice as a physician assistant issued pursuant to section 4730.12 of the Revised Code shall not assist in surgery in an office setting, except where such authority is specified in a special services plan approved by the board pursuant to section 4730.17 of the Revised Code. Where a board approved special services plan specifically authorizes the physician assistant to assist in office-based surgery, the requirements of paragraph (B) of this rule and the provisions of Chapter 4731-25 of the Administrative Code apply, as though fully set forth in Chapter 4730-1 or 4730-2 of the Administrative Code.~~