

Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing

AMSN- 2024

Unit 5: Z- Chapter 5  
Online Assignment (1H)

Directions: Follow instructions for each section and answer all questions. This assignment is due in the Unit 5: Z- Ch. 5 dropbox 2/19/2024 at 0800.

Assignment objective: Examine the process of licensure for professional nurses.

1. Visit the OBN website: [www.nursing.ohio.gov/](http://www.nursing.ohio.gov/)
  - a. Click on “Licensing & Certification” at the top of the page.
  - b. Click on “Multistate Licensure”. (MSL = Multistate Licensure)
  - c. Watch the video “The NCL is coming to Ohio”; explore the other MSL resources (NCL = Nursing Compact License)
  - d. Answer the following questions after viewing the video:
    1. List three key points you learned from the NCL video.  
RN or LPN can obtain a multilicensure license. Helps nurses find work in other states, not limiting them to one state. There are no delays in taking assignments.
    2. How can having MSL in Ohio positively impact the nursing shortage at Firelands?  
This can positively impact Ohio with the nursing shortage by allowing nurses with a multilicensure license to take positions in hospitals with nursing shortages, hence increasing the amount of nurses in hospitals across the states.
  - e. Click on “Continuing Education & Pre-Licensure” at the top of the page.
  - f. Click on “Continuing Education”.
  - g. Click on “CE Requirements for License Renewal”.
  - h. Answer the following questions:
    1. In your own words, explain the difference between “CE” and “Category A CE”  
Continuing Education (CE) is defined as a learning activity that builds upon a prelicensure or precertification education program and enables a licensee or certificate holder to acquire or improve knowledge or skills that promote professional or technical development to enhance the licensee’s or certificate holder’s contributing to quality of health care and pursuit of health care career goals.  
Category A is CE directly related to the Ohio Nurse Practice Act and the administrative rules of the Ohio Board of Nursing, to qualify, the CE must be approved by an Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN) approver or be offered by an OBN approved provider unit headquartered in the states of Ohio.
    2. After an RN’s initial renewal, how many CE’s have to be completed during the 2-year license cycle?  
Nurses must complete at least 24 contact hours of CE that includes one contact hour of Category A CE for each renewal.
  - i. Click on “Compliance & Regulation” at the top of the page.
  - j. Click on “Laws & Rules”.

- k. Click on “Chapter 4723-4”.
- l. Click on “Rule 4723-4-03”
- m. Read through this Rule (A-K)
- n. Answer the following question:
  1. Pick one of the Rules (A-K) and explain the importance of this rule to patient safety and positive patient outcomes. This must be in your own words and at least 100 words.

The rule I am choosing to discuss, in terms of patient safety is Rule C, A registered nurse shall demonstrate competence and accountability in all areas of practice in which the nurse is engaged including: (1) Consistent performance of all aspects of nursing care; and (2) Recognition, referral or consultation, and intervention, when a complication arises. This to me, promotes patient safety because it requires that nurses are competent in their areas (scope of practice) and that they can recognize when a patient may need extra care such as a referral, possible interventions such as oxygen therapy, and consultations such as with a wound care nurse. When a nurse is competent in this way, it promotes patient safety through recognition and improves patient outcomes.

2. Visit the NCSBN website: <http://www.ncsbn.com/>
  - a. Click on “Exams” and then “NCLEX”
  - b. Take time to scroll through the various resources to familiarize yourself with the NCLEX application process, exam, etc.
    1. You will receive handouts and we will discuss during class.