

Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing

AMSN- 2025

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 2/27/2025 at 0800.

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

1. Visit the OBN website: 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.
 - Once the nurse (LPN or RN) obtains their license they can practice in any compact allowing state.
 - 98% of nurses want their state to be apart of the compact because of the benefits.
 - Once the license is obtained there is no delay, the nurse can immediately practice in any state, no requirements, no renewals.
 2. How can having MSL in Ohio positively impact the nursing shortage at Firelands?
 - External nurses can provide a diverse and strong workforce that would be able to change and adapt to fit the needs at the time of shortage.
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- 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”.
 - CE means continuing education and is any educational points or activity that is required prior to renewing a license.
 - Category A CE is a specific CE category where regulations can be created in facilities appointed by an Ohio Board of Nursing provider.
 2. After an RN’s initial renewal, how many CE’s have to be completed during the 2-year license cycle?
 - At least 24 hours, 1 hour has to be a contact hour.
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- 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.

- Section E of rule 4723-4-3 of the Ohio Laws and Administrative rules states that a nurse must implement all orders for a patient unless they believe the order is inaccurate, not properly signed, not current or valid, harmful, contraindicated, and they must clarify orders they question due to the previously stated reasons. This rule is directly related to a nurses critical thinking skills and competence in accordance with implementing ordered interventions. A nurse with proper competence and critical thinking skills prevents errors, unnecessary treatment, ensures proper medications are administered, and overall promotes a safe patient environment. Without critical thinking skills and competency the patient is at risk of malpractice due to increased risk of improper medication administration, unnecessary treatment, inadequate care, and lack of attention to detail. This rule is the foundation for why it is important for students to learn to, “think like a nurse” it provides them with the thinking strategies, decision making and implementation skills to provide the safest and most accurate patient care.

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.