

Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing

AMSN- 2026

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 2/26/2026 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 “OBN NLC/MSL Explainer Video 1”; 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.
 - **Three key points learned from the video:**
 - **1. The nurses’ primary state of residence must be in a compact state to qualify.**
 - **2. A multistate license allows a nurse to practice in other compact states without getting another license**
 - **3. The nurse must follow the nursing laws and scope of practice of the state where the patient is located while practicing.**
 2. How can having MSL in Ohio positively impact the nursing shortage at Firelands? **Multistate licensure helps hospitals hire nurses from other states more quickly because they do not have to wait for an Ohio license to be issued. This allows travel nurse and relocating nurses to start working fast, so it would help improve staff levels and help fill the need the hospital is in.**
 - e. Click on “Education & Practice” at the top of the page.
 - f. Click on “Education”.
 - g. Click on “Continuing Education Information and Resources”.
 - h. Answer the following questions:
 1. In your own words, explain the difference between “CE” and “Category A CE”.
-CE - General nursing education hours used to maintain competence and keep knowledge current.
A CE - Specific education about Ohio nursing laws and rules required by the Ohio Board of Nursing.
 2. After an RN’s initial renewal, how many CE’s have to be completed during the 2-year license cycle? **24 hours of continuing education.**

- 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.

One important rule states that registered nurses must clarify an order if it appears inaccurate, harmful, not authorized, or unsafe and must notify the provider and document the action taken. I feel this rule is extremely important for patient safety because nurses are the last checkpoint before a treatment reaches the patient. Providers can make mistakes too, and I’ve seen first-hand working with nurses as a PCT. If as a nurse we don’t clarify and double check orders, we can severely harm a patient and as a nurse lose our license. As nurses we need to be competent, efficient, and smart when handling medications and orders. If a nurse questions an unsafe order and documents about what happened, this can help save patient’s and nurses licenses. It also helps with communication between nurses and providers. Following this rule improves the patient’s outcomes because patients receive safe care and potential errors are caught before causing harm.

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.