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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 195.070, 195.100, 208.152, 334.104, 334.108, 334.810, 335.016, 335.019, 335.046, and 338.198, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof ten new sections relating to advanced practice registered nurses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 195.070, 195.100, 208.152, 334.104, 334.108, 334.810, 2 335.016, 335.019, 335.046, and 338.198, RSMo, are repealed and ten new sections 3 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 195.070, 195.100, 208.152, 4 334.104, 334.108, 334.810, 335.016, 335.019, 335.046, and 338.198, to read as 5 follows:

195.070. 1. A physician, podiatrist, dentist, a registered optometrist certified to administer pharmaceutical agents as provided in section 336.220, an **advanced practice registered nurse as defined in section 335.016**, or a physician assistant in accordance with section 334.747 in good faith and in the course of his or her professional practice only, may prescribe, administer, and dispense controlled substances or he or she may cause the same to be administered or dispensed by an individual as authorized by statute.

8 2. [An advanced practice registered nurse, as defined in section 335.016, but not a certified registered nurse anesthetist as defined in subdivision (8) of 9 10 section 335.016, who holds a certificate of controlled substance prescriptive authority from the board of nursing under section 335.019 and who is delegated 11 12the authority to prescribe controlled substances under a collaborative practice arrangement under section 334.104 may prescribe any controlled substances 13listed in Schedules II, III, IV, and V of section 195.017. However, no such 1415certified advanced practice registered nurse shall prescribe controlled substance

16 for his or her own self or family. Schedule III narcotic controlled substance
17 prescriptions shall be limited to a one hundred twenty-hour supply without refill.
18 3.] A veterinarian, in good faith and in the course of the veterinarian's
19 professional practice only, and not for use by a human being, may prescribe,
20 administer, and dispense controlled substances and the veterinarian may cause
21 them to be administered by an assistant or orderly under his or her direction and
22 supervision.

[4.] 3. A practitioner shall not accept any portion of a controlled substance unused by a patient, for any reason, if such practitioner did not originally dispense the drug.

[5.] 4. An individual practitioner shall not prescribe or dispense a
controlled substance for such practitioner's personal use except in a medical
emergency.

195.100. 1. It shall be unlawful to distribute any controlled substance in
2 a commercial container unless such container bears a label containing an
3 identifying symbol for such substance in accordance with federal laws.

2. It shall be unlawful for any manufacturer of any controlled substance to distribute such substance unless the labeling thereof conforms to the requirements of federal law and contains the identifying symbol required in subsection 1 of this section.

8 3. The label of a controlled substance in Schedule II, III or IV shall, when 9 dispensed to or for a patient, contain a clear, concise warning that it is a criminal 10 offense to transfer such narcotic or dangerous drug to any person other than the 11 patient.

124. Whenever a manufacturer sells or dispenses a controlled substance and whenever a wholesaler sells or dispenses a controlled substance in a package 13prepared by him or her, the manufacturer or wholesaler shall securely affix to 1415each package in which that drug is contained a label showing in legible English the name and address of the vendor and the quantity, kind, and form of 16 controlled substance contained therein. No person except a pharmacist for the 17purpose of filling a prescription under sections 195.005 to 195.425, shall alter, 1819deface, or remove any label so affixed.

5. Whenever a pharmacist or practitioner sells or dispenses any controlled substance on a prescription issued by a physician, physician assistant, dentist, podiatrist, veterinarian, or advanced practice registered nurse, the pharmacist or practitioner shall affix to the container in which such drug is sold or dispensed

24a label showing his or her own name and address of the pharmacy or practitioner 25for whom he or she is lawfully acting; the name of the patient or, if the patient is an animal, the name of the owner of the animal and the species of the animal; 2627the name of the physician, physician assistant, dentist, podiatrist, advanced practice registered nurse, or veterinarian by whom the prescription was written[; 2829the name of the collaborating physician if the prescription is written by an 30 advanced practice registered nurse] or the supervising physician if the 31prescription is written by a physician assistant, and such directions as may be 32stated on the prescription. No person shall alter, deface, or remove any label so affixed. 33

208.152. 1. MO HealthNet payments shall be made on behalf of those eligible needy persons as defined in section 208.151 who are unable to provide for it in whole or in part, with any payments to be made on the basis of the reasonable cost of the care or reasonable charge for the services as defined and determined by the MO HealthNet division, unless otherwise hereinafter provided, for the following:

7(1) Inpatient hospital services, except to persons in an institution for mental diseases who are under the age of sixty-five years and over the age of 8 twenty-one years; provided that the MO HealthNet division shall provide through 9 10 rule and regulation an exception process for coverage of inpatient costs in those 11cases requiring treatment beyond the seventy-fifth percentile professional 12activities study (PAS) or the MO HealthNet children's diagnosis length-of-stay 13schedule; and provided further that the MO HealthNet division shall take into account through its payment system for hospital services the situation of 14hospitals which serve a disproportionate number of low-income patients; 15

16(2) All outpatient hospital services, payments therefor to be in amounts 17which represent no more than eighty percent of the lesser of reasonable costs or 18customary charges for such services, determined in accordance with the principles set forth in Title XVIII A and B, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the 19 federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301, et seq.), but the MO HealthNet 2021division may evaluate outpatient hospital services rendered under this section 22and deny payment for services which are determined by the MO HealthNet 23division not to be medically necessary, in accordance with federal law and 24regulations;

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- (3) Laboratory and X-ray services;
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- (4) Nursing home services for participants, except to persons with more

27than five hundred thousand dollars equity in their home or except for persons in 28an institution for mental diseases who are under the age of sixty-five years, when residing in a hospital licensed by the department of health and senior services or 2930 a nursing home licensed by the department of health and senior services or appropriate licensing authority of other states or government-owned and 3132-operated institutions which are determined to conform to standards equivalent to licensing requirements in Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 33U.S.C. 301, et seq.), as amended, for nursing facilities. The MO HealthNet 3435division may recognize through its payment methodology for nursing facilities those nursing facilities which serve a high volume of MO HealthNet 36 patients. The MO HealthNet division when determining the amount of the 37benefit payments to be made on behalf of persons under the age of twenty-one in 38a nursing facility may consider nursing facilities furnishing care to persons under 39the age of twenty-one as a classification separate from other nursing facilities; 40

(5) Nursing home costs for participants receiving benefit payments under 41subdivision (4) of this subsection for those days, which shall not exceed twelve per 42any period of six consecutive months, during which the participant is on a 43temporary leave of absence from the hospital or nursing home, provided that no 44 such participant shall be allowed a temporary leave of absence unless it is 4546specifically provided for in his plan of care. As used in this subdivision, the term 47"temporary leave of absence" shall include all periods of time during which a 48participant is away from the hospital or nursing home overnight because he is 49visiting a friend or relative;

50 (6) Physicians' services, whether furnished in the office, home, hospital,
51 nursing home, or elsewhere;

52 (7) Drugs and medicines when prescribed by a licensed physician, dentist, 53 [or] podiatrist, or an advanced practice registered nurse; except that no 54 payment for drugs and medicines prescribed on and after January 1, 2006, by a 55 licensed physician, dentist, [or] podiatrist, or an advanced practice 56 registered nurse may be made on behalf of any person who qualifies for 57 prescription drug coverage under the provisions of P.L. 108-173;

(8) Emergency ambulance services and, effective January 1, 1990,
medically necessary transportation to scheduled, physician-prescribed nonelective
treatments;

61 (9) Early and periodic screening and diagnosis of individuals who are 62 under the age of twenty-one to ascertain their physical or mental defects, and health care, treatment, and other measures to correct or ameliorate defects and
chronic conditions discovered thereby. Such services shall be provided in
accordance with the provisions of Section 6403 of P.L. 101-239 and federal
regulations promulgated thereunder;

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(10) Home health care services;

(11) Family planning as defined by federal rules and regulations;
provided, however, that such family planning services shall not include abortions
unless such abortions are certified in writing by a physician to the MO HealthNet
agency that, in his professional judgment, the life of the mother would be
endangered if the fetus were carried to term;

(12) Inpatient psychiatric hospital services for individuals under age
twenty-one as defined in Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
1396d, et seq.);

76 (13) Outpatient surgical procedures, including presurgical diagnostic services performed in ambulatory surgical facilities which are licensed by the 77department of health and senior services of the state of Missouri; except, that 7879such outpatient surgical services shall not include persons who are eligible for coverage under Part B of Title XVIII, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the 80 federal Social Security Act, as amended, if exclusion of such persons is permitted 81 82under Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal Social 83 Security Act, as amended;

84 (14) Personal care services which are medically oriented tasks having to 85 do with a person's physical requirements, as opposed to housekeeping 86 requirements, which enable a person to be treated by his physician on an outpatient rather than on an inpatient or residential basis in a hospital, 87 intermediate care facility, or skilled nursing facility. Personal care services shall 88 be rendered by an individual not a member of the participant's family who is 89 qualified to provide such services where the services are prescribed by a physician 90 in accordance with a plan of treatment and are supervised by a licensed 91 nurse. Persons eligible to receive personal care services shall be those persons 9293who would otherwise require placement in a hospital, intermediate care facility, 94or skilled nursing facility. Benefits payable for personal care services shall not 95exceed for any one participant one hundred percent of the average statewide 96 charge for care and treatment in an intermediate care facility for a comparable period of time. Such services, when delivered in a residential care facility or 97 assisted living facility licensed under chapter 198 shall be authorized on a tier 98

level based on the services the resident requires and the frequency of the services. 99 100A resident of such facility who qualifies for assistance under section 208.030 shall, at a minimum, if prescribed by a physician, qualify for the tier level with 101 102the fewest services. The rate paid to providers for each tier of service shall be set subject to appropriations. Subject to appropriations, each resident of such facility 103104who qualifies for assistance under section 208.030 and meets the level of care required in this section shall, at a minimum, if prescribed by a physician, be 105authorized up to one hour of personal care services per day. Authorized units of 106 107 personal care services shall not be reduced or tier level lowered unless an order approving such reduction or lowering is obtained from the resident's personal 108109 physician. Such authorized units of personal care services or tier level shall be transferred with such resident if her or she transfers to another such 110 facility. Such provision shall terminate upon receipt of relevant waivers from the 111 federal Department of Health and Human Services. If the Centers for Medicare 112and Medicaid Services determines that such provision does not comply with the 113state plan, this provision shall be null and void. The MO HealthNet division 114shall notify the revisor of statutes as to whether the relevant waivers are 115approved or a determination of noncompliance is made; 116

(15) Mental health services. The state plan for providing medical 117118assistance under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended, shall include the following mental health services when such services are 119120provided by community mental health facilities operated by the department of 121mental health or designated by the department of mental health as a community mental health facility or as an alcohol and drug abuse facility or as a 122child-serving agency within the comprehensive children's mental health service 123124system established in section 630.097. The department of mental health shall establish by administrative rule the definition and criteria for designation as a 125community mental health facility and for designation as an alcohol and drug 126127abuse facility. Such mental health services shall include:

(a) Outpatient mental health services including preventive, diagnostic,
therapeutic, rehabilitative, and palliative interventions rendered to individuals
in an individual or group setting by a mental health professional in accordance
with a plan of treatment appropriately established, implemented, monitored, and
revised under the auspices of a therapeutic team as a part of client services
management;

134 (b) Clinic mental health services including preventive, diagnostic,

therapeutic, rehabilitative, and palliative interventions rendered to individuals
in an individual or group setting by a mental health professional in accordance
with a plan of treatment appropriately established, implemented, monitored, and
revised under the auspices of a therapeutic team as a part of client services
management;

(c) Rehabilitative mental health and alcohol and drug abuse services 140141 including home and community-based preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, 142rehabilitative, and palliative interventions rendered to individuals in an 143individual or group setting by a mental health or alcohol and drug abuse professional in accordance with a plan of treatment appropriately established, 144145implemented, monitored, and revised under the auspices of a therapeutic team as a part of client services management. As used in this section, mental health 146professional and alcohol and drug abuse professional shall be defined by the 147148department of mental health pursuant to duly promulgated rules. With respect to services established by this subdivision, the department of social services, MO 149150HealthNet division, shall enter into an agreement with the department of mental 151health. Matching funds for outpatient mental health services, clinic mental health services, and rehabilitation services for mental health and alcohol and 152drug abuse shall be certified by the department of mental health to the MO 153154HealthNet division. The agreement shall establish a mechanism for the joint 155implementation of the provisions of this subdivision. In addition, the agreement 156shall establish a mechanism by which rates for services may be jointly developed;

(16) Such additional services as defined by the MO HealthNet division to
be furnished under waivers of federal statutory requirements as provided for and
authorized by the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301, et seq.) subject to
appropriation by the general assembly;

161 (17) [Beginning July 1, 1990,] The services of [a certified pediatric or 162 family nursing practitioner with a collaborative practice agreement] an 163 advanced practice registered nurse to the extent that such services are 164 provided in accordance with [chapters 334 and] chapter 335, and regulations 165 promulgated thereunder;

166 (18) Nursing home costs for participants receiving benefit payments under 167 subdivision (4) of this subsection to reserve a bed for the participant in the 168 nursing home during the time that the participant is absent due to admission to 169 a hospital for services which cannot be performed on an outpatient basis, subject 170 to the provisions of this subdivision: 171 (a) The provisions of this subdivision shall apply only if:

a. The occupancy rate of the nursing home is at or above ninety-seven percent of MO HealthNet certified licensed beds, according to the most recent quarterly census provided to the department of health and senior services which was taken prior to when the participant is admitted to the hospital; and

b. The patient is admitted to a hospital for a medical condition with ananticipated stay of three days or less;

(b) The payment to be made under this subdivision shall be provided fora maximum of three days per hospital stay;

180 (c) For each day that nursing home costs are paid on behalf of a 181 participant under this subdivision during any period of six consecutive months 182 such participant shall, during the same period of six consecutive months, be 183 ineligible for payment of nursing home costs of two otherwise available temporary 184 leave of absence days provided under subdivision (5) of this subsection; and

(d) The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply unless the nursing home receives notice from the participant or the participant's responsible party that the participant intends to return to the nursing home following the hospital stay. If the nursing home receives such notification and all other provisions of this subsection have been satisfied, the nursing home shall provide notice to the participant or the participant's responsible party prior to release of the reserved bed;

(19) Prescribed medically necessary durable medical equipment. An
electronic web-based prior authorization system using best medical evidence and
care and treatment guidelines consistent with national standards shall be used
to verify medical need;

196 (20) Hospice care. As used in this subdivision, the term "hospice care" 197 means a coordinated program of active professional medical attention within a home, outpatient and inpatient care which treats the terminally ill patient and 198199 family as a unit, employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The 200program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms and supportive 201care to meet the special needs arising out of physical, psychological, spiritual, 202social, and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of 203illness, and during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements 204for participation as a hospice as are provided in 42 CFR Part 418. The rate of reimbursement paid by the MO HealthNet division to the hospice provider for 205room and board furnished by a nursing home to an eligible hospice patient shall 206

not be less than ninety-five percent of the rate of reimbursement which would
have been paid for facility services in that nursing home facility for that patient,
in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 6408 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus
Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989);

(21) Prescribed medically necessary dental services. Such services shall
be subject to appropriations. An electronic web-based prior authorization system
using best medical evidence and care and treatment guidelines consistent with
national standards shall be used to verify medical need;

(22) Prescribed medically necessary optometric services. Such services
shall be subject to appropriations. An electronic web-based prior authorization
system using best medical evidence and care and treatment guidelines consistent
with national standards shall be used to verify medical need;

(23) Blood clotting products-related services. For persons diagnosed with
a bleeding disorder, as defined in section 338.400, reliant on blood clotting
products, as defined in section 338.400, such services include:

(a) Home delivery of blood clotting products and ancillary infusion
equipment and supplies, including the emergency deliveries of the product when
medically necessary;

(b) Medically necessary ancillary infusion equipment and suppliesrequired to administer the blood clotting products; and

(c) Assessments conducted in the participant's home by a pharmacist,
nurse, or local home health care agency trained in bleeding disorders when
deemed necessary by the participant's treating physician;

230(24) The MO HealthNet division shall, by January 1, 2008, and annually 231thereafter, report the status of MO HealthNet provider reimbursement rates as 232compared to one hundred percent of the Medicare reimbursement rates and 233compared to the average dental reimbursement rates paid by third-party payors licensed by the state. The MO HealthNet division shall, by July 1, 2008, provide 234235to the general assembly a four-year plan to achieve parity with Medicare 236reimbursement rates and for third-party payor average dental reimbursement 237rates. Such plan shall be subject to appropriation and the division shall include 238in its annual budget request to the governor the necessary funding needed to 239complete the four-year plan developed under this subdivision.

240 2. Additional benefit payments for medical assistance shall be made on 241 behalf of those eligible needy children, pregnant women and blind persons with 242 any payments to be made on the basis of the reasonable cost of the care or reasonable charge for the services as defined and determined by the division ofmedical services, unless otherwise hereinafter provided, for the following:

245 (1) Dental services;

246 (2) Services of podiatrists as defined in section 330.010;

247 (3) Optometric services as defined in section 336.010;

248 (4) Orthopedic devices or other prosthetics, including eye glasses,
249 dentures, hearing aids, and wheelchairs;

(5) Hospice care. As used in this subsection, the term "hospice care" 250means a coordinated program of active professional medical attention within a 251home, outpatient and inpatient care which treats the terminally ill patient and 252253family as a unit, employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms and supportive 254care to meet the special needs arising out of physical, psychological, spiritual, 255256social, and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of illness, and during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements 257for participation as a hospice as are provided in 42 CFR Part 418. The rate of 258reimbursement paid by the MO HealthNet division to the hospice provider for 259room and board furnished by a nursing home to an eligible hospice patient shall 260not be less than ninety-five percent of the rate of reimbursement which would 261262have been paid for facility services in that nursing home facility for that patient, 263in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 6408 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus 264Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989);

265(6) Comprehensive day rehabilitation services beginning early posttrauma as part of a coordinated system of care for individuals with disabling 266impairments. Rehabilitation services must be based on an individualized, 267268goal-oriented, comprehensive and coordinated treatment plan developed, implemented, and monitored through an interdisciplinary assessment designed 269to restore an individual to optimal level of physical, cognitive, and behavioral 270271function. The MO HealthNet division shall establish by administrative rule the 272definition and criteria for designation of a comprehensive day rehabilitation service facility, benefit limitations and payment mechanism. Any rule or portion 273274of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the 275authority delegated in this subdivision shall become effective only if it complies 276with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the 277powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to 278

delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held
unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed
or adopted after August 28, 2005, shall be invalid and void.

2823. The MO HealthNet division may require any participant receiving MO 283HealthNet benefits to pay part of the charge or cost until July 1, 2008, and an 284additional payment after July 1, 2008, as defined by rule duly promulgated by the 285MO HealthNet division, for all covered services except for those services covered 286under subdivisions (14) and (15) of subsection 1 of this section and sections 287208.631 to 208.657 to the extent and in the manner authorized by Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396, et seq.) and regulations 288289thereunder. When substitution of a generic drug is permitted by the prescriber 290according to section 338.056, and a generic drug is substituted for a name-brand 291drug, the MO HealthNet division may not lower or delete the requirement to 292make a co-payment pursuant to regulations of Title XIX of the federal Social 293 Security Act. A provider of goods or services described under this section must 294collect from all participants the additional payment that may be required by the 295MO HealthNet division under authority granted herein, if the division exercises 296 that authority, to remain eligible as a provider. Any payments made by 297 participants under this section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of payments 298made by the state for goods or services described herein except the participant 299portion of the pharmacy professional dispensing fee shall be in addition to and 300 not in lieu of payments to pharmacists. A provider may collect the co-payment 301at the time a service is provided or at a later date. A provider shall not refuse 302to provide a service if a participant is unable to pay a required payment. If it is 303 the routine business practice of a provider to terminate future services to an 304 individual with an unclaimed debt, the provider may include uncollected co-payments under this practice. Providers who elect not to undertake the 305 provision of services based on a history of bad debt shall give participants 306 307 advance notice and a reasonable opportunity for payment. A provider, 308 representative, employee, independent contractor, or agent of a pharmaceutical 309 manufacturer shall not make co-payment for a participant. This subsection shall 310not apply to other qualified children, pregnant women, or blind persons. If the 311 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services does not approve the Missouri MO 312HealthNet state plan amendment submitted by the department of social services 313 that would allow a provider to deny future services to an individual with uncollected co-payments, the denial of services shall not be allowed. The 314

department of social services shall inform providers regarding the acceptabilityof denying services as the result of unpaid co-payments.

317 4. The MO HealthNet division shall have the right to collect medication318 samples from participants in order to maintain program integrity.

5. Reimbursement for obstetrical and pediatric services under subdivision (6) of subsection 1 of this section shall be timely and sufficient to enlist enough health care providers so that care and services are available under the state plan for MO HealthNet benefits at least to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area, as required under subparagraph (a)(30)(A) of 42 U.S.C. 1396a and federal regulations promulgated thereunder.

6. Beginning July 1, 1990, reimbursement for services rendered in federally funded health centers shall be in accordance with the provisions of subsection 6402(c) and Section 6404 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989) and federal regulations promulgated thereunder.

7. Beginning July 1, 1990, the department of social services shall provide notification and referral of children below age five, and pregnant, breast-feeding, or postpartum women who are determined to be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits under section 208.151 to the special supplemental food programs for women, infants and children administered by the department of health and senior services. Such notification and referral shall conform to the requirements of Section 6406 of P.L. 101-239 and regulations promulgated thereunder.

8. Providers of long-term care services shall be reimbursed for their costs in accordance with the provisions of Section 1902 (a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1396a, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

9. Reimbursement rates to long-term care providers with respect to a total change in ownership, at arm's length, for any facility previously licensed and certified for participation in the MO HealthNet program shall not increase payments in excess of the increase that would result from the application of Section 1902 (a)(13)(C) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1396a (a)(13)(C).

345 10. The MO HealthNet division, may enroll qualified residential care
346 facilities and assisted living facilities, as defined in chapter 198, as MO
347 HealthNet personal care providers.

348 11. Any income earned by individuals eligible for certified extended
349 employment at a sheltered workshop under chapter 178 shall not be considered
350 as income for purposes of determining eligibility under this section.

334.104. 1. A physician may enter into collaborative practice  $\mathbf{2}$ [arrangements] with registered professional nurses. Collaborative practice [arrangements shall be in the form of written agreements,] shall include jointly 3 4 agreed-upon written protocols[,] or standing orders for the delivery of health care services. [Collaborative practice arrangements, which shall be in writing,] 56 The written protocols or standing orders may delegate to a registered professional nurse the authority to administer or dispense drugs and provide 7treatment as long as the delivery of such health care services is within the scope 8 9 of practice of the registered professional nurse and is consistent with that nurse's skill, training and competence. 10

2. [Collaborative practice arrangements, which shall be in writing, may 11 delegate to a registered professional nurse the authority to administer, dispense 12or prescribe drugs and provide treatment if the registered professional nurse is 13practice nurse as defined in subdivision (2) of section an advanced 14 15335.016. Collaborative practice arrangements may delegate to an advanced practice registered nurse, as defined in section 335.016, the authority to 16 administer, dispense, or prescribe controlled substances listed in Schedules III, 17IV, and V of section 195.017; except that, the collaborative practice arrangement 18 shall not delegate the authority to administer any controlled substances listed in 1920schedules III, IV, and V of section 195.017 for the purpose of inducing sedation 21or general anesthesia for therapeutic, diagnostic, or surgical 22procedures. Schedule III narcotic controlled substance prescriptions shall be 23limited to a one hundred twenty-hour supply without refill. Such collaborative 24practice arrangements shall be in the form of written agreements, jointly agreed-upon protocols or standing orders for the delivery of health care services. 25263. The written collaborative practice arrangement shall contain at least 27the following provisions:

(1) Complete names, home and business addresses, zip codes, and
telephone numbers of the collaborating physician and the advanced practice
registered nurse;

(2) A list of all other offices or locations besides those listed in subdivision
(1) of this subsection where the collaborating physician authorized the advanced
practice registered nurse to prescribe;

34 (3) A requirement that there shall be posted at every office where the 35 advanced practice registered nurse is authorized to prescribe, in collaboration 36 with a physician, a prominently displayed disclosure statement informing patients that they may be seen by an advanced practice registered nurse andhave the right to see the collaborating physician;

39 (4) All specialty or board certifications of the collaborating physician and40 all certifications of the advanced practice registered nurse;

41 (5) The manner of collaboration between the collaborating physician and
42 the advanced practice registered nurse, including how the collaborating physician
43 and the advanced practice registered nurse will:

44 (a) Engage in collaborative practice consistent with each professional's45 skill, training, education, and competence;

46 (b) Maintain geographic proximity; and

47 (c) Provide coverage during absence, incapacity, infirmity, or emergency48 by the collaborating physician;

49 (6) A description of the advanced practice registered nurse's controlled
50 substance prescriptive authority in collaboration with the physician, including a
51 list of the controlled substances the physician authorizes the nurse to prescribe
52 and documentation that it is consistent with each professional's education,
53 knowledge, skill, and competence;

54 (7) A list of all other written practice agreements of the collaborating 55 physician and the advanced practice registered nurse;

56 (8) The duration of the written practice agreement between the 57 collaborating physician and the advanced practice registered nurse;

58 (9) A description of the time and manner of the collaborating physician's 59 review of the advanced practice registered nurse's delivery of health care 60 services. The description shall include provisions that the advanced practice 61 registered nurse shall submit a minimum of ten percent of the charts 62 documenting the advanced practice registered nurse's delivery of health care 63 services to the collaborating physician for review every fourteen days; and

64 (10) The collaborating physician shall review every fourteen days a 65 minimum of twenty percent of the charts in which the advanced practice 66 registered nurse prescribes controlled substances. The charts reviewed under 67 this subdivision may be counted in the number of charts required to be reviewed 68 under subdivision (9) of this subsection.

4. The state board of registration for the healing arts pursuant to section
334.125 and the board of nursing pursuant to section 335.036 may jointly
promulgate rules regulating the use of collaborative practice arrangements. Such
rules shall be limited to specifying geographic areas to be covered, the methods

73of treatment that may be covered by collaborative practice arrangements and the 74requirements for review of services provided pursuant to collaborative practice arrangements including delegating authority to prescribe controlled 7576substances. Any rules relating to dispensing or distribution of medications or devices by prescription or prescription drug orders under this section shall be 7778subject to the approval of the state board of pharmacy. Any rules relating to 79dispensing or distribution of controlled substances by prescription or prescription drug orders under this section shall be subject to the approval of the department 80 81 of health and senior services and the state board of pharmacy. In order to take effect, such rules shall be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of each 82board. Neither the state board of registration for the healing arts nor the board 83 of nursing may separately promulgate rules relating to collaborative practice 84 arrangements. Such jointly promulgated rules shall be consistent with guidelines 85for federally funded clinics. The rulemaking authority granted in this subsection 86 shall not extend to collaborative practice arrangements of hospital employees 87 providing inpatient care within hospitals as defined pursuant to chapter 197 or 88 89 population-based public health services as defined by 20 CSR 2150-5.100 as of April 30, 2008. 90

5.] The state board of registration for the healing arts shall not deny, 9192revoke, suspend or otherwise take disciplinary action against a physician for 93 health care services delegated to a registered professional nurse provided the 94provisions of this section and the rules promulgated thereunder are 95satisfied. Upon the written request of a physician subject to a disciplinary action imposed as a result of an agreement between a physician and a registered 96 professional nurse or registered physician assistant, whether written or not, prior 97 to August 28, 1993, all records of such disciplinary licensure action and all 98records pertaining to the filing, investigation or review of an alleged violation of 99 this chapter incurred as a result of such an agreement shall be removed from the 100 101 records of the state board of registration for the healing arts and the division of 102professional registration and shall not be disclosed to any public or private entity seeking such information from the board or the division. The state board of 103 104registration for the healing arts shall take action to correct reports of alleged 105violations and disciplinary actions as described in this section which have been 106 submitted to the National Practitioner Data Bank. In subsequent applications or representations relating to his medical practice, a physician completing forms 107 or documents shall not be required to report any actions of the state board of 108

109 registration for the healing arts for which the records are subject to removal110 under this section.

[6.] 3. Within thirty days of any change and on each renewal, the state 111 112board of registration for the healing arts shall require every physician to identify whether the physician is engaged in [any] collaborative practice [agreement, 113114including collaborative practice agreements delegating the authority to prescribe controlled substances, or] with a registered professional nurse, or in a 115116 supervisory arrangement with a physician assistant [agreement] and also 117report to the board the name of each licensed professional with whom the physician has entered into such [agreement] an arrangement. The board may 118make this information available to the public. The board shall track the reported 119information and may routinely conduct random reviews of such [agreements] to 120ensure [that agreements are carried out for] compliance under this chapter. 121

122[7.] 4. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a certified registered nurse anesthetist as defined in subdivision (8) of section 335.016 shall be 123permitted to provide anesthesia services without a collaborative practice 124125arrangement [provided that he or she is under the supervision of an anesthesiologist or other physician, dentist, or podiatrist who is immediately 126available if needed. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit or 127128prevent a certified registered nurse anesthetist as defined in subdivision (8) of 129section 335.016 from entering into a collaborative practice arrangement under 130this section, except that the collaborative practice arrangement may not delegate 131the authority to prescribe any controlled substances listed in Schedules III, IV, and V of section 195.017. 132

8. A collaborating physician shall not enter into a collaborative practice arrangement with more than three full-time equivalent advanced practice registered nurses. This limitation shall not apply to collaborative arrangements of hospital employees providing inpatient care service in hospitals as defined in chapter 197 or population-based public health services as defined by 20 CSR 2150-5.100 as of April 30, 2008.

9. It is the responsibility of the collaborating physician to determine and document the completion of at least a one-month period of time during which the advanced practice registered nurse shall practice with the collaborating physician continuously present before practicing in a setting where the collaborating physician is not continuously present. This limitation shall not apply to collaborative arrangements of providers of population-based public health services 145 as defined by 20 CSR 2150-5.100 as of April 30, 2008.

146 10. No agreement made under this section shall supersede current 147 hospital licensing regulations governing hospital medication orders under 148 protocols or standing orders for the purpose of delivering inpatient or emergency 149 care within a hospital as defined in section 197.020 if such protocols or standing 150 orders have been approved by the hospital's medical staff and pharmaceutical 151 therapeutics committee.

15211. No contract or other agreement shall require a physician to act as a 153collaborating physician for an advanced practice registered nurse against the physician's will. A physician shall have the right to refuse to act as a 154155collaborating physician, without penalty, for a particular advanced practice registered nurse. No contract or other agreement shall limit the collaborating 156physician's ultimate authority over any protocols or standing orders or in the 157158delegation of the physician's authority to any advanced practice registered nurse, but this requirement shall not authorize a physician in implementing such 159160 protocols, standing orders, or delegation to violate applicable standards for safe 161 medical practice established by hospital's medical staff.

162 12. No contract or other agreement shall require any advanced practice 163 registered nurse to serve as a collaborating advanced practice registered nurse 164 for any collaborating physician against the advanced practice registered nurse's 165 will. An advanced practice registered nurse shall have the right to refuse to 166 collaborate, without penalty, with a particular physician].

334.108. 1. Prior to prescribing any drug, controlled substance, or other
2 treatment through the internet, a physician shall establish a valid
3 physician-patient relationship. This relationship shall include:

4 (1) Obtaining a reliable medical history and performing a physical 5 examination of the patient, adequate to establish the diagnosis for which the drug 6 is being prescribed and to identify underlying conditions or contraindications to 7 the treatment recommended or provided;

8 (2) Having sufficient dialogue with the patient regarding treatment 9 options and the risks and benefits of treatment or treatments;

10 (3) If appropriate, following up with the patient to assess the therapeutic11 outcome;

12 (4) Maintaining a contemporaneous medical record that is readily 13 available to the patient and, subject to the patient's consent, to the patient's other 14 health care professionals; and 30

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(5) Including the electronic prescription information as part of thepatient's medical record.

17 2. The requirements of subsection 1 of this section may be satisfied by the18 prescribing physician's designee when treatment is provided in:

19 (1) A hospital as defined in section 197.020;

20 (2) A hospice program as defined in section 197.250;

(3) Home health services provided by a home health agency as defined insection 197.400;

23 (4) Accordance with a collaborative practice [agreement] arrangement
24 as [defined] described in section 334.104;

(5) Conjunction with a physician assistant licensed pursuant to section334.738;

(6) Consultation with another physician who has an ongoing
physician-patient relationship with the patient, and who has agreed to supervise
the patient's treatment, including use of any prescribed medications; or

(7) On-call or cross-coverage situations.

334.810. 1. The "practice of respiratory care" includes, but is not limited to:

3 (1) The administration of pharmacologic, diagnostic and therapeutic
4 agents related to respiratory care to implement a disease prevention, diagnostic,
5 treatment or pulmonary rehabilitative regimen prescribed by a physician or by
6 clinical protocols pertaining to the practice of respiratory care;

7 (2) Observing, examining, monitoring, assessment and evaluation of signs, 8 symptoms and general physical response to respiratory care procedures, including 9 whether such are abnormal, and implementation of changes in procedures based 10 on observed abnormalities, appropriate clinical protocols or pursuant to a 11 prescription by a physician licensed under **this** chapter [334, or a person acting 12 under a collaborative practice agreement as authorized by section 334.104] or an 13 **advanced practice registered nurse recognized under chapter 335**; or

14 (3) The initiation of emergency procedures under the regulations of the15 board or as otherwise permitted in sections 334.800 to 334.930.

2. The practice of respiratory care is not limited to the hospital setting but shall always be performed under the prescription, order or protocol of a licensed physician or an advanced practice registered nurse recognized under chapter 335 and includes the diagnostic and therapeutic use of the following: (1) Administration of medical gases, except for the purpose of anesthesia;

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21	(2) Administration of pharmacologic agents related to, or in conjunction
22	with, respiratory care procedures;
23	(3) Aerosolized medications and humidification;
24	(4) Arterial blood gas puncture or sample collection;
25	(5) Bronchopulmonary hygiene;
26	(6) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation;
27	(7) Environmental control mechanisms and therapy;
28	(8) Initiation, monitoring, modification of ventilator controls, and
29	discontinuance or withdrawal of continuous mechanical ventilation;
30	(9) Intubation/extubation of endotracheal tubes, tracheostomy tubes and
31	transtracheal catheters;
32	(10) Insertion of artificial airways and the maintenance of natural and
33	artificial airways;
34	(11) Mechanical or physiological ventilatory support;
35	(12) Point-of-care diagnostic testing;
36	(13) Specific diagnostic and testing techniques employed in the medical
37	management of patients to assist in diagnosis, monitoring, treatment and
38	research of pulmonary abnormalities, including measurement of ventilatory
39	volumes, pressures, flows, collection of specimens of blood and mucus,
40	measurement and reporting of blood gases, expired and inspired gas samples and
41	pulmonary function testing;
42	(14) Diagnostic monitoring or therapeutic intervention for oxygen
43	desaturation, aberrant ventilatory patterns and related sleep disorders including
44	obstructive and central apnea; and

45 (15) Other related physiologic measurements of the cardiopulmonary46 system.

47 3. The practice of respiratory care may also include, with special training,48 the following:

49 (1) Insertion and maintenance of peripheral arterial or venous lines and50 hemodynamic monitoring;

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(2) Assistance with diagnostic or performing therapeutic bronchoscopy;

52 (3) Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO), limited to the 53 intensive care setting, and delivered under the supervision of a Certified Clinical 54 Perfusionist (CCP, as defined by the American Board of Cardiovascular Perfusion, 55 an allied medical professional whose expertise is the science of extracorporeal life 56 support) and a licensed physician; 57 (4) Air or ground ambulance transport;

58 (5) Hyperbaric oxygenation therapy;

59 (6) Electrophysiologic monitoring; or

60 (7) Other diagnostic testing or special procedures.

4. The state board of registration for the healing arts pursuant to section 334.125, and the board of respiratory care, created pursuant to section 334.830, may jointly promulgate rules defining additional procedures recognized as proper to be performed by respiratory care practitioners. In order to take effect, such rules shall be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of each board. Neither the state board of registration for the healing arts nor the board of respiratory care may separately promulgate rules relating to the practice of respiratory care.

335.016. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requiresotherwise, the following words and terms mean:

3 (1) "Accredited", the official authorization or status granted by an agency
4 for a program through a voluntary process;

 $\mathbf{5}$ (2) "Advanced practice registered nurse" or "APRN", a [nurse who has education beyond the basic nursing education and is certified by a nationally 6 recognized professional organization as a certified nurse practitioner, certified 7 nurse midwife, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or a certified clinical nurse 8 9 specialist. The board shall promulgate rules specifying which nationally 10recognized professional organization certifications are to be recognized for the purposes of this section. Advanced practice nurses and only such individuals may 11 use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" and the abbreviation "APRN"] 12person licensed under this chapter to engage in the practice of 13advanced practice registered nursing as a certified nurse practitioner, 14certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse midwife, or certified 15registered nurse anesthetist; 16

17(3) "Advanced practice registered nursing", the performance of an expanded scope of nursing in a role of population focus approved by 1819the board of nursing, with or without compensation or personal profit, 20and includes the registered professional nurse scope of practice. The 21scope of practice of an APRN includes, but is not limited to performing 22acts of advanced assessment, diagnosing, prescribing, ordering, and treatment; serving as primary care providers of record; and practicing 23as a licensed health care practitioner. Each APRN is accountable to 24patients, the nursing profession, and the board of nursing for: 25

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(a) Complying with the requirements of the nursing practice act
and the quality of advanced nursing care rendered;

(b) Recognizing limits of knowledge and experience;

29 (c) Planning for the management of situations beyond the
30 APRN's expertise; and

31 (d) Consulting with or referring patients to other health care
 32 providers as appropriate;

33 (4) "Approval", official recognition of nursing education programs which
34 meet standards established by the board of nursing;

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[(4)] (5) "Board" or "state board", the state board of nursing;

36 [(5)] (6) "Certified clinical nurse specialist", a registered nurse who is
37 currently certified as a clinical nurse specialist by a nationally recognized
38 certifying board approved by the board of nursing;

[(6)] (7) "Certified nurse midwife", a registered nurse who is currently
certified as a nurse midwife by the American College of Nurse Midwives, or other
nationally recognized certifying body approved by the board of nursing;

42 [(7)] (8) "Certified nurse practitioner", a registered nurse who is
43 currently certified as a nurse practitioner by a nationally recognized certifying
44 body approved by the board of nursing;

[(8)] (9) "Certified registered nurse anesthetist", a registered nurse who
is currently certified as a nurse anesthetist by the [Council on Certification of
Nurse Anesthetists, the Council on Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists,]
National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse
Anesthetists or other nationally recognized certifying body approved by the
board of nursing;

51 [(9)] (10) "Executive director", a qualified individual employed by the 52 board as executive secretary or otherwise to administer the provisions of this 53 chapter under the board's direction. Such person employed as executive director 54 shall not be a member of the board;

55 [(10)] (11) "Inactive nurse", as defined by rule pursuant to section 56 335.061;

57 [(11)] (12) "Lapsed license status", as defined by rule under section 58 335.061;

59 [(12)] (13) "Licensed practical nurse" or "practical nurse", a person 60 licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to engage in the practice of 61 practical nursing; 62 [(13)] (14) "Licensure", the issuing of a license to practice **advanced** 63 **practice**, professional, or practical nursing to candidates who have met the 64 specified requirements and the recording of the names of those persons as holders 65 of a license to practice **advanced practice**, professional, or practical nursing;

66[(14)] (15) "Practical nursing", the performance for compensation of 67 selected acts for the promotion of health and in the care of persons who are ill, injured, or experiencing alterations in normal health processes. Such 68 69 performance requires substantial specialized skill, judgment and knowledge. All 70such nursing care shall be given under the direction of a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or under the 7172direction of a registered professional nurse. For the purposes of this chapter, the term "direction" shall mean guidance or supervision provided by a person licensed 73by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or a 7475registered professional nurse, including, but not limited to, oral, written, or otherwise communicated orders or directives for patient care. When practical 76nursing care is delivered pursuant to the direction of a person licensed by a state 77regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or under the direction 78of a registered professional nurse, such care may be delivered by a licensed 79practical nurse without direct physical oversight; 80

[(15)] (16) "Professional nursing", the performance for compensation of any act which requires substantial specialized education, judgment and skill based on knowledge and application of principles derived from the biological, physical, social and nursing sciences, including, but not limited to:

85 (a) Responsibility for the teaching of health care and the prevention of86 illness to the patient and his or her family;

(b) Assessment, nursing diagnosis, nursing care, and counsel of personswho are ill, injured or experiencing alterations in normal health processes;

(c) The administration of medications and treatments as prescribed by a
person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and
treatments;

92 (d) The coordination and assistance in the delivery of a plan of health care93 with all members of a health team;

94 (e) The teaching and supervision of other persons in the performance of95 any of the foregoing;

96 [(16) A] (17) "Registered professional nurse" or "registered nurse", a 97 person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to engage in the 98 practice of professional nursing;

99 [(17)] (18) "Retired license status", any person licensed in this state under this chapter who retires from such practice. Such person shall file with the 100 101 board an affidavit, on a form to be furnished by the board, which states the date 102on which the licensee retired from such practice, an intent to retire from the 103 practice for at least two years, and such other facts as tend to verify the 104 retirement as the board may deem necessary; but if the licensee thereafter 105reengages in the practice, the licensee shall renew his or her license with the 106board as provided by this chapter and by rule and regulation.

335.019. The board of nursing may grant a certificate of controlled substance prescriptive authority to an advanced practice registered nurse, with the exception of certified registered nurse anesthetists, to administer, dispense, or prescribe controlled substances and provide treatment as long as the delivery of such health care services is within the scope of practice of the advanced practice registered nurse and is consistent with such nurse's skill, training, and competence who:

8 (1) Submits proof of successful completion of an advanced pharmacology 9 course that shall include [preceptorial experience in] the prescription of drugs, 10 medicines and therapeutic devices; and

(2) Provides documentation of a minimum of three hundred clock hours
preceptorial experience in the prescription of drugs, medicines, and therapeutic
devices with a qualified preceptor; and

14(3) Provides evidence of a minimum of one thousand hours of practice in an advanced practice nursing category prior to application for a certificate of 15prescriptive authority for controlled substances. The one thousand hours 16shall not include clinical hours obtained in the advanced practice nursing 17education program. The one thousand hours of practice in an advanced practice 18 nursing category may include transmitting a prescription order orally or 19telephonically or to an inpatient medical record from protocols developed in 20collaboration with and signed by a licensed physician[; and] or an advanced 21practice registered nurse that has a certificate of controlled substance 2223prescriptive authority.

[(4) Has a controlled substance prescribing authority delegated in the collaborative practice arrangement under section 334.104 with a physician who has an unrestricted federal Drug Enforcement Administration registration number and who is actively engaged in a practice comparable in scope, specialty, 28 or expertise to that of the advanced practice registered nurse.]

335.046. 1. An applicant for a license to practice as a registered professional nurse shall submit to the board a written application on forms  $\mathbf{2}$ 3 furnished to the applicant. The original application shall contain the applicant's statements showing the applicant's education and other such pertinent 4  $\mathbf{5}$ information as the board may require. The applicant shall be of good moral character and have completed at least the high school course of study, or the 6 equivalent thereof as determined by the state board of education, and have 7 8 successfully completed the basic professional curriculum in an accredited or approved school of nursing and earned a professional nursing degree or 9 10 diploma. Each application shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and correct to the best 11 knowledge and belief of the person signing same, subject to the penalties of 12making a false affidavit or declaration. Applicants from non-English-speaking 13lands shall be required to submit evidence of proficiency in the English 14language. The applicant must be approved by the board and shall pass an 15examination as required by the board. The board may require by rule as a 16requirement for licensure that each applicant shall pass an oral or practical 17examination. Upon successfully passing the examination, the board may issue 1819to the applicant a license to practice nursing as a registered professional 20nurse. The applicant for a license to practice registered professional nursing 21shall pay a license fee in such amount as set by the board. The fee shall be 22uniform for all applicants. Applicants from foreign countries shall be licensed as 23prescribed by rule.

242. An applicant for license to practice as a licensed practical nurse shall submit to the board a written application on forms furnished to the 25applicant. The original application shall contain the applicant's statements 26showing the applicant's education and other such pertinent information as the 2728board may require. Such applicant shall be of good moral character, and have completed at least two years of high school, or its equivalent as established by the 29state board of education, and have successfully completed a basic prescribed 30 31curriculum in a state-accredited or approved school of nursing, earned a nursing 32degree, certificate or diploma and completed a course approved by the board on 33the role of the practical nurse. Each application shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and 34correct to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing same, subject to the 35

penalties of making a false affidavit or declaration. Applicants from 36 37 non-English-speaking countries shall be required to submit evidence of their proficiency in the English language. The applicant must be approved by the 38 39 board and shall pass an examination as required by the board. The board may require by rule as a requirement for licensure that each applicant shall pass an 4041 oral or practical examination. Upon successfully passing the examination, the board may issue to the applicant a license to practice as a licensed practical 4243nurse. The applicant for a license to practice licensed practical nursing shall pay a fee in such amount as may be set by the board. The fee shall be uniform for all 44 applicants. Applicants from foreign countries shall be licensed as prescribed by 45rule. 46

47 3. (1) An applicant for a license to practice as an advanced 48 practice registered nurse shall submit to the board a written 49 application on forms furnished to the applicant. The application shall 50 contain the following:

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(a) The applicant's statements showing:

52 a. The applicant's education;

53 b. Current licensure as a registered professional nurse;

54 c. Advanced practice clinical nursing specialty area; and

55 d. Role in which the applicant is certified by a nationally 56 recognized certifying body approved by the board; and

57 (b) Any other such pertinent information as the board may 58 require;

(c) A statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that the representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing the statement, subject to the penalties of making a false affidavit or declaration; and

63 (d) For applicants from nonEnglish-speaking lands, submission
64 of evidence of proficiency in the English language.

65 (2) The board of nursing may promulgate rules specifying the 66 criteria by which nationally recognized certifying bodies are to be 67 recognized, standards for continued licensure of an advanced practice 68 registered nurse, and such other rules as are necessary to enable the 69 board to carry out this provision.

70 (3) The applicant shall:

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(a) Be of good moral character;

72 (b) Have successfully completed the basic professional

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73 curriculum in an accredited or approved school of nursing;

(c) Earned a professional nursing degree or diploma; and

(d) Have successfully completed a graduate or postgraduate
advanced practice registered nurse program accredited by the
appropriate national accrediting body and earned a graduate degree
or postgraduate certificate.

(4) An applicant for licensure to practice advanced practice
registered nursing shall pay a license fee in such amount as set by the
board. The fee shall be uniform for all applicants.

82 (5) Applicants from foreign countries shall be licensed as
83 prescribed by rule.

(6) Upon submission of a completed application and required fee,
the board may issue to the applicant a license to practice advanced
practice registered nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse.

4. Upon refusal of the board to allow any applicant to sit for either the registered professional nurses' examination or the licensed practical nurses' examination, as the case may be, the board shall comply with the provisions of section 621.120 and advise the applicant of his or her right to have a hearing before the administrative hearing commission. The administrative hearing commission shall hear complaints taken pursuant to section 621.120.

93 [4.] 5. The board shall not deny a license because of sex, religion, race,94 ethnic origin, age or political affiliation.

338.198. Other provisions of law to the contrary notwithstanding, a pharmacist may fill a physician's prescription or the prescription of an advanced practice nurse [working under a collaborative practice arrangement with a physician,] when it is forwarded to the pharmacist by a registered professional nurse or registered physician's assistant or other authorized agent. [The written collaborative practice arrangement shall specifically state that the registered professional nurse or registered physician assistant is permitted to authorize a pharmacist to fill a prescription on behalf of the physician.]

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