



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4778.09 Special activity license.

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(A) The state medical board may issue a license to practice as a genetic counselor, designated as a special activity license, to an individual from another state seeking to practice in this state genetic counseling associated with a rare disease.

(B) An applicant for a special activity license shall submit to the board all of the following information:

(1) Evidence that the applicant holds a current, unrestricted license to practice genetic counseling issued by another state or, if the applicant practices genetic counseling in another state that does not license genetic counselors, evidence that the applicant is a certified genetic counselor;

(2) Evidence that the applicant has actively practiced genetic counseling within the two-year period immediately preceding application;

(3) The name of the applicant's sponsoring institution or organization, a statement of need for genetic counseling from the sponsoring institution or organization, and the name of the rare disease for which the applicant will be practicing genetic counseling in this state.

(C) At the time an application is submitted, the applicant shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars. No part of the fee shall be returned to the applicant or transferred for purposes of another application.

(D) The board shall not require the holder of a special activity license issued under this section to obtain a license under Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code. A special activity license is valid for the shorter of thirty days or the duration of the genetic counseling associated with the rare disease for which the license was issued. The license may not be renewed.

(E) The holder of a special activity license may practice genetic counseling only to the extent that it is associated with the rare disease for which the license was issued. The license holder shall not bill a



patient or any third party payer for genetic counseling provided in this state.

(F) The board may revoke a special activity license on receiving proof satisfactory to the board that the holder of the license has engaged in practice in this state outside the scope of the license or that there are grounds for action against the license holder under section 4778.14 of the Revised Code.