



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 4723-23-06 Continuing education requirements.

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[Comment: Information regarding the availability and effective date of the materials incorporated by reference in this rule can be found in paragraph (G) of rule 4723-1-03 of the Administrative Code.]

(A) Except in the case of the first renewal of a dialysis technician certificate, in order to renew the applicant must have completed fifteen contact hours of continuing education approved by the board in accordance with Chapter 4723-14 of the Administrative Code and this rule. The required fifteen contact hours shall include both of the following:

(1) At least ten hours directly related to dialysis care; and

(2) At least one hour directly related to the law and rules governing the provision of nursing or dialysis care as set forth in Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code, and rules adopted by the board.

(B) A dialysis technician who placed a certificate on inactive status shall not be required to meet the continuing education requirement for the period of time the certificate is on inactive status. To reactivate the certificate, the dialysis technician shall complete fifteen hours of continuing education during the twenty-four months immediately preceding application. The fifteen hours of continuing education shall comply with the requirements set forth in paragraph (A) of this rule.

(C) To reinstate a lapsed dialysis technician certificate, the holder of the certificate shall complete fifteen hours of continuing education during the twenty-four months immediately preceding application to reinstate the certificate. The fifteen hours of continuing education shall comply with the requirements set forth in paragraph (A) of this rule.

(D) A dialysis technician shall verify completion of the continuing education required by this rule on the "Dialysis Technician Renewal Application," and at the discretion of the board, may be required to show proof of completion of the approved continuing education. Failure to so verify or provide such proof shall result in ineligibility to renew, reactivate, or reinstate a dialysis technician



certificate until the continuing education requirements are met.

(E) A dialysis technician who earns in excess of the number of contact hours of continuing education required for a single reporting period shall not apply the excess hours to satisfy future continuing education requirements.

(F) A dialysis technician, who is ineligible to renew, reactivate, or reinstate a certificate due to failure to meet the continuing education requirements, may be required to show completion of up to thirty contact hours of continuing education, that meets the requirements of this rule, before being issued a current certificate by the board. The continuing education shall be obtained within the forty-eight months immediately preceding renewal, reactivation, or reinstatement of the certificate.

(G) A dialysis technician may use a waiver to satisfy the continuing education requirement only one time, and the dialysis technician shall notify the board in writing requesting the waiver. Once the dialysis technician notifies the board of the intent to use the waiver, the waiver shall not be rescinded and use of the waiver shall be documented on the dialysis technician's certificate record.

(H) Notwithstanding paragraph (G) of this rule, the holder of a lapsed or inactive dialysis technician certificate may not use the one time continuing education waiver when reinstating a lapsed certificate or reactivating an inactive certificate.

(I) Contact hours based on credit hours earned in an academic institution shall be calculated according to paragraph (B) of rule 4723-14-04 of the Administrative Code.

(J) Educational activities that satisfy the requirements of this rule are the same as those set forth in rule 4723-14-05 of the Administrative Code.

(K) The board may conduct a retrospective audit of any holder of a dialysis technician certificate to determine compliance with this rule. The audit shall be conducted according to rule 4723-14-07 of the Administrative Code. A dialysis technician shall retain proof of completion of approved continuing education for a period of six years.

(L) A dialysis technician who is engaged in active military duty may be eligible for an extension of



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time to complete continuing education as provided in rule 4723-2-04 of the Administrative Code.