Ohio Revised Code
Section 4723.66 Application for medication aide training program.
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(A) A person or government entity seeking approval to provide a medication aide training program shall apply to the board of nursing on a form prescribed and provided by the board. The application shall be accompanied by the fee established in rules adopted under section 4723.69 of the Revised Code.

(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, the board shall approve the applicant to provide a medication aide training program if the content of the course of instruction to be provided by the program meets the standards specified by the board in rules adopted under section 4723.69 of the Revised Code and includes all of the following:

(1) At least seventy clock-hours of instruction, including both classroom instruction on medication administration and at least twenty clock-hours of supervised clinical practice in medication administration;

(2) A mechanism for evaluating whether an individual's reading, writing, and mathematical skills are sufficient for the individual to be able to administer prescription medications safely;

(3) An examination that tests the ability to administer prescription medications safely and that meets the requirements established by the board in rules adopted under section 4723.69 of the Revised Code.

(C) The board shall deny the application for approval if an applicant submits or causes to be submitted to the board false, misleading, or deceptive statements, information, or documentation in the process of applying for approval of the program.

(D)(1) The board may deny, suspend, or revoke the approval granted to a medication aide training program for reasons specified in rules adopted under section 4723.69 of the Revised Code.
The board may deny the application for approval if the program is controlled by a person who controls or has controlled a program that had its approval withdrawn, revoked, suspended, or restricted by the board or a board of another jurisdiction that is a member of the national council of state boards of nursing. As used in division (D)(2) of this section, "control" means any of the following:

(a) Holding fifty per cent or more of the program's outstanding voting securities or membership interest;

(b) In the case of a program that is not incorporated, having the right to fifty per cent or more of the program's profits or in the event of a dissolution, fifty per cent or more of the program's assets;

(c) In the case of a program that is a for-profit or not-for-profit corporation, having the contractual authority presently to designate fifty per cent or more of the program's directors;

(d) In the case of a program that is a trust, having the contractual authority presently to designate fifty per cent or more of the program's trustees;

(e) Having the authority to direct the program's management, policies, or investments.

Except as otherwise provided in this division, all actions taken by the board to deny, suspend, or revoke the approval of a training program shall be taken in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

When an action taken by the board is required to be taken pursuant to an adjudication conducted under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the board may, in lieu of an adjudication hearing, enter into a consent agreement to resolve the matter. A consent agreement, when ratified by a vote of a quorum of the board, constitutes the findings and order of the board with respect to the matter addressed in the agreement. If the board refuses to ratify a consent agreement, the admissions and findings contained in the agreement are of no effect.

In any instance in which the board is required under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to give notice to a program of an opportunity for a hearing and the program does not make a timely request for a
hearing in accordance with section 119.07 of the Revised Code, the board is not required to hold a hearing, but may adopt, by a vote of a quorum, a final order that contains the board's findings.

(F) When the board denies, suspends, or revokes approval of a program, the board may specify that its action is permanent. A program subject to a permanent action taken by the board is forever ineligible for approval and the board shall not accept an application for the program's reinstatement or approval.