Ohio Revised Code
Section 4723.88 Community health worker standards and procedures.
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The board of nursing, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules to administer and enforce sections 4723.81 to 4723.87 of the Revised Code. The rules shall establish all of the following:

(A) Standards and procedures for issuance of community health worker certificates;

(B) Standards for evaluating the competency of an individual who applies to receive a certificate on the basis of having been employed in a capacity substantially the same as a community health worker before the board implemented the certification program;

(C) Standards and procedures for renewal of community health worker certificates, including the continuing education requirements that must be met for renewal;

(D) Standards governing the performance of activities related to nursing care that are delegated by a registered nurse to certified community health workers. In establishing the standards, the board shall specify limits on the number of certified community health workers a registered nurse may supervise at any one time.

(E) Standards and procedures for assessing the quality of the services that are provided by certified community health workers;

(F) Standards and procedures for denying, suspending, and revoking a community health worker certificate, including reasons for imposing the sanctions that are substantially similar to the reasons that sanctions are imposed under section 4723.28 of the Revised Code;

(G) Standards and procedures for approving and renewing the board's approval of training programs that prepare individuals to become certified community health workers. In establishing the standards, the board shall specify the minimum components that must be included in a training program, shall
require that all approved training programs offer the standardized curriculum, and shall ensure that the curriculum enables individuals to use the training as a basis for entering programs leading to other careers, including nursing education programs.

(H) Standards for approval of continuing education programs and courses for certified community health workers;

(I) Standards and procedures for withdrawing the board's approval of a training program, refusing to renew the approval of a training program, and placing a training program on provisional approval;

(J) Amounts for each fee that may be imposed under division (A) (17) of section 4723.08 of the Revised Code;

(K) Any other standards or procedures the board considers necessary and appropriate for the administration and enforcement of sections 4723.81 to 4723.87 of the Revised Code.