

Ohio Revised Code Section 4729.12 Licenses; renewal.

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A license issued by the state board of pharmacy under section 4729.08 or 4729.11 of the Revised Code entitles the individual to whom it is issued to practice as a pharmacist or as a pharmacy intern in this state until the next renewal date.

Licenses shall be renewed according to the standard renewal procedure of Chapter 4745. of the Revised Code and rules adopted by the board under section 4729.26 of the Revised Code. Licenses are valid for the period specified in the rules, unless earlier revoked or suspended by the board. The period shall not exceed twenty-four months unless the board extends the period in the rules to adjust license renewal schedules.

A pharmacist or pharmacy intern who desires to continue in the practice of pharmacy shall file with the board an application in such form and containing such data as the board may require for renewal of a license. In the case of a pharmacist who dispenses or plans to dispense controlled substances in this state, the pharmacist shall certify, as part of the application, that the pharmacist has been granted access to the drug database established and maintained by the board pursuant to section 4729.75 of the Revised Code, unless the board has restricted the pharmacist from obtaining further information from the database or the board no longer maintains the database. If the pharmacist certifies to the board that the applicant has been granted access to the drug database and the board finds through an audit or other means that the pharmacist has not been granted access, the board may take action under section 4729.16 of the Revised Code.

An application filed under this section for renewal of a license may not be withdrawn without the approval of the board.

The board shall renew an applicant's license if the board finds all of the following:

(A) The applicant's license has not been revoked or placed under suspension.



- (B) The applicant has paid the renewal fee.
- (C) If the applicant is a pharmacist, the applicant has completed thirty hours of continued pharmacy education in the previous two years in accordance with any rules of the board.
- (D) The applicant is entitled to continue in the practice of pharmacy.

When a license has expired but an application is made within three years after the expiration of the license, the applicant's license shall be renewed without further examination if the applicant meets the requirements of this section and pays the fee designated under division (A)(5) of section 4729.15 of the Revised Code.

A pharmacist or pharmacy intern who fails to renew the pharmacist's or intern's license by the renewal date prescribed by the board shall not engage in the practice of pharmacy until a valid license is issued by the board.