



Ohio Revised Code Section 4747.12 Disciplinary actions.

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The state speech and hearing professionals board may revoke or suspend a license or permit if the person who holds such license or permit:

- (A) Is convicted of a disqualifying offense or a crime of moral turpitude as those terms are defined in section 4776.10 of the Revised Code. The record of conviction, or a copy thereof certified by the clerk of the court or by the judge in whose court the conviction occurs, is conclusive evidence of such conviction;
- (B) Procured a license or permit by fraud or deceit practiced upon the board;
- (C) Obtained any fee or made any sale of a hearing aid by fraud or misrepresentation;
- (D) Knowingly employed any person without a license or a person whose license was suspended or revoked to engage in the fitting or sale of hearing aids;
- (E) Used or caused or promoted the use of any advertising matter, promotional literature, testimonial, guarantee, warranty, label, brand, insignia, or any other representation, however disseminated or published, which is misleading, deceptive, or untruthful;
- (F) Advertised a particular model or type of hearing aid for sale when purchasers or prospective purchasers responding to the advertisement cannot purchase the specified model or type of hearing aid;
- (G) Represented or advertised that the service or advice of a person licensed to practice medicine will be used or made available in the selection, fitting, adjustment, maintenance, or repair of hearing aids when such is not true, or using the words "doctor," "clinic," or similar words, abbreviations, or symbols which connote the medical profession when such use is not accurate;



- (H) Is found by the board to be a person of habitual intemperance or gross immorality;
- (I) Advertised a manufacturer's product or used a manufacturer's name or trademark in a manner which suggested the existence of a relationship with the manufacturer which did not or does not exist;
- (J) Fitted or sold, or attempted to fit or sell, a hearing aid to a person without first utilizing the appropriate procedures and instruments required for proper fitting of hearing aids;
- (K) Engaged in the fitting and sale of hearing aids under a false name or an alias;
- (L) Engaged in the practice of dealing in or fitting of hearing aids while suffering from a contagious or infectious disease;
- (M) Was found by the board to be guilty of gross incompetence or negligence in the fitting or sale of hearing aids;
- (N) Permitted another person to use the licensee's license;
- (O) Violate the code of ethical practice adopted under section 4744.50 of the Revised Code.