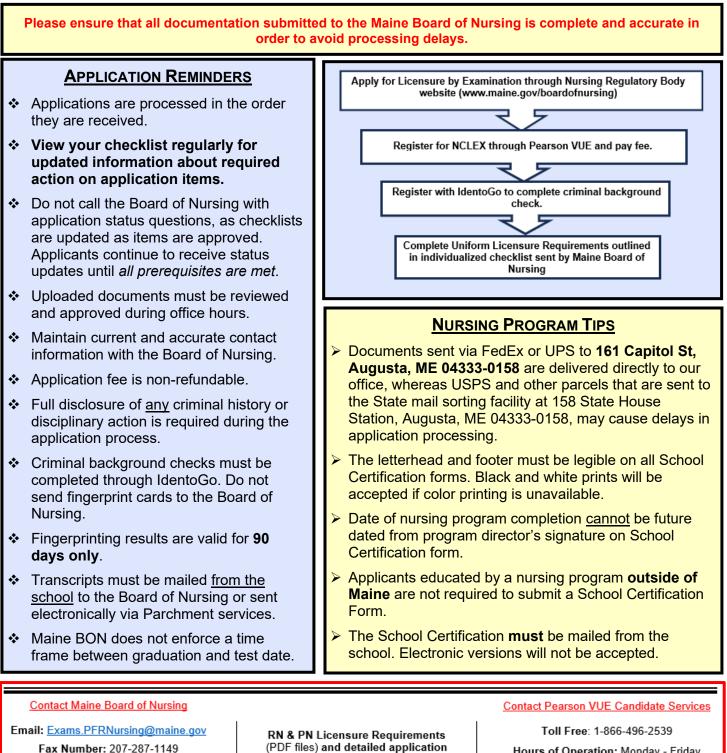


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We are closed all state holidays.

RN & PN Licensure Requirements (PDF files) and detailed application instructions can be found on our website within the License by Examination section.

https://www.maine.gov/boardofnursing

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PEARSON VUE REMINDERS

- Authorization to Test is valid for 90 days only and will not be extended for any reason.
- If rescheduling or unscheduling an exam appointment, ensure you receive a confirmation email indicating that the exam date has changed.
- Read all communications from Pearson VUE *carefully*.
- Pearson VUE offers unofficial exam results two days post-exam (fee included).
- Do not call the Board of Nursing for examination results. They will be provided to the applicant within 6 weeks post-exam.
- Examination can be taken at any of the approved Pearson VUE test centers.

NCLEX TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS

- Accommodation requests must be indicated during the application process.
- An applicant must have been diagnosed with a learning disability <u>and</u> granted accommodations within the nursing program to be eligible for NCLEX accommodations.
- An applicant is not eligible to receive ATT until accommodation forms have been reviewed and approved.
- To revoke an accommodation, email request to <u>Exams.PFRNursing@maine.gov</u>.

BOARD REVIEW

- If it is determined that an application requires a Board review, the applicant will be notified of the determination and given a meeting date.
- Board members meet quarterly. Meeting dates, agendas and minutes are on our website within "Board Information" section.
- Applicant attendance at the meeting is not required, as they cannot address the Board.
- Public Zoom link access is available on the Maine Board of Nursing website.

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT (NLC)

- Nurses are required to be licensed in their legal state of residence. For compact purposes, the primary state of residence (PSOR) is not related to property ownership in a state, or schooling location, but rather where the person holds legal documents.
- There can only be <u>one</u> PSOR.
- If your PSOR is a compact state *other* than Maine, regardless of whether you go to school or work in Maine, you must apply for licensure in your legal state.
- If your PSOR is a non-compact state, you may be eligible for Maine-only licensure.
- There is not a separate application for compact licensure- the application submitted for a Maine nursing license is automatically reviewed for multi-state eligibility.

Visit <u>www.nursecompact.com</u> for more information about the NLC.

FOREIGN -EDUCATED APPLICANTS

- Transcript review through CGFNS (CES report) is required for foreign-educated applicants. Results must be sent to Maine Board of Nursing.
- Canadian-educated applicants *do not* need a CGFNS review. However, they must have official transcripts sent to Maine Board of Nursing.
- Obtaining a CES report from CGFNS can be a lengthy process, so it is advised to begin the task as soon as possible.
- If the nursing program was taught in any language other than English, the applicant must also complete a Test of English as a Foreign Language assessment through CGFNS and have results sent to Maine Board of Nursing.
- United States Social Security Numbers are required for licensure.

ISSUANCE OF LICENSURE

Upon completion of uniform licensure requirements, licensees will receive their official Nursing license via <u>email.</u> The Board of Nursing does not issue paper licenses.