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2021 Wisconsin Act 46 [2021 Assembly Bill 166]

Temporary Practice by Nurses at Camps

2021 Wisconsin Act 46 allows a registered nurse who is credentialed in good standing in another state or U.S. territory to practice at a recreational or educational camp for up to 90 days in any year, without a license from the state Board of Nursing (the Board). The provision also applies to a nurse who is credentialed in good standing in a Canadian province or territory, but does not apply to a nurse who holds a multistate license under the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact.

In order for a nurse to practice at a camp under the licensing exception, the credentialing standards from the nurse's home jurisdiction must be substantially equivalent to Wisconsin licensure for a registered nurse, and the nurse must not be under active investigation by a licensing or law enforcement authority.

Before providing medical treatment to campers or staff, the nurse must notify the Board that the nurse will be practicing at a recreational or educational camp under this provision. The Board may establish the form by administrative rule.

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