

Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators
Excerpt from Rules and Regulations
Requirements to become licensed in Mississippi through Endorsement

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Part 2703, Chapter 1, Rule 1.1: Licensure

D. Applicants for Licensure by Individuals Licensed in Other States

- (1) An individual licensed in good standing as a nursing home administrator in another state may qualify for licensure as a nursing home administrator if his or her educational, training and administrative experience are equal to or exceeds those required in Mississippi and has passed both the National Association of Long-Term Care Administrator Board (NAB) examination and the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators State examination at the then current passing score.
- (2) The Board, subject to the law pertaining to the licensing of nursing home administrators may at its discretion, endorse a nursing home administrator license issued by the proper authorities of any other state, upon payment of the biennial license fee and the application fee, and upon submission of evidence satisfactory to the Board that:
 - (a) The A.I.T. period may be waived if applicant can provide evidence of completion of at least a 1,040 hour A.I.T. program in the State of original license, or applicant shall have had two (2) years experience out of the past three (3) years as a sub-acute or long-term health care facility administrator;
 - (b) Applicant must be entering employment in a Mississippi sub-acute or long-term health care facility;
 - (c) Applicant must have successfully passed the NAB Exam with the then current passing score of the date of his or her initial license;
 - (d) Applicant successfully passed the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators Exam within sixty (60) days after Board approval;
 - (e) Applicant has not had a license revoked or suspended in any state from which he or she has received a nursing home administrator license; and
 - (f) A temporary permit to practice as a nursing home administrator in Mississippi may be issued to an applicant who has applied for a Mississippi nursing home administrator license under the requirements

stated above (Part 2703, Chapter 1, Rule 1.D of the Board's Rules and Regulations). A temporary permit may be considered when the applicant:

- (i) Submits supporting documentation for the requirements in Part 2703, Chapter 1, Rule 1 to apply with the Board for a Mississippi nursing home administrator license, as well as payment of the current Application fee;
- (ii) Holds a current and unencumbered nursing home administrator license, which is in good standing, in at least one other state;
- (iii) Submits a formal request, along with the Application, documenting the circumstances that created the need for a temporary permit, as well as the temporary permit fee.
- (iv) Submits satisfactory proof from each state board that has issued him/ her a nursing home administrator license at any time in the past:
 - (a) that there has been no formal discipline taken against the license;
 - (b) that the applicant received an acceptable NAB Exam Scale score with the then current passing score of the date of his or her initial license;
 - (c) that the applicant either successfully completed a 1,040 hour A.I.T. Program, or he or she has been licensed and working as a long-term health care facility administrator for at least two of the three past years, prior to applying.
- (v) In no case shall a temporary permit be issued to an individual for a period longer than three (3) months.
- (g) In no case shall an individual nursing home facility be administered by a nursing home administrator holding a "temporary permit" for more than three (3) months in one (1) calendar year.
- (h) Under a declared state of emergency lawfully declared by either Federal, State or Local government, an administrator who holds a valid license in good standing in another state, may be eligible to work as the administrator of record in a MS nursing home facility after he or she submits to the Board office:
 - (i) a picture I.D.;

- (ii) proof of a current nursing home administrator license which is valid and in good standing in another state;
- (iii) a completed 1 page Application designed for this purpose;
The authority to work under these emergency conditions will be for a maximum period of sixty (60) days.