

Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators

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**Rule 20.      Reciprocity or Endorsement**

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 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 a NAB Scale score of 113 as outlined in Rule 9;
- D. Applicant for endorsement is examined and successfully passes the State Test within sixty (60) days after Board approval;
- E. Applicant has not had a license revoked or suspended in any state from which he has received a nursing home administrator license or reciprocal endorsement;
- F. Such licensing jurisdiction extends reciprocity to licensees of the State of Mississippi under reasonable terms and conditions.
- G. 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 (Rule 20) of the Board's Rules and Regulations. A temporary permit may be considered when the applicant:**
  - 1. Submits the original documentation for all of the above requirements to apply with the Board for a Mississippi nursing home administrator license through Reciprocity/Endorsement, as well as payment of the current Application fee;**
  - 2. Holds a current and unencumbered nursing home administrator license, which is in good standing, in at least one other state;**
  - 3. 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.**

**4. 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 of 113 or greater;**

**c. that the applicant either successfully completed a 1,040 hour A.I.T. Program, or he/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.**

**5. In no cases shall a temporary permit be issued for a period of longer than three (3) months.**

**a. 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 lawfully declared state of emergency by either Federal, State or Local government, an administrator who holds a valid license in good standing in another state, is eligible to work as the administrator of record in a MS nursing home facility after:**

**1. submitting a picture I.D. to the Board office;**

**2. submitting to the Board office proof that he/she currently holds a nursing home administrator license which is valid and in good standing in another state;**

**3. completes and submits to the Board office a 1 page Application designed for this purpose;**

**4. the authority to work under these conditions will be for a maximum period of 60 days.**