



# State Policy Fact Sheet: Mississippi

## Nurse Practice Act: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-15-1

### Regulatory Structure: Reduced Practice

Mississippi constrains nurse practitioner (NP) licensure and practice.

NPs are required by law to practice within a board-approved collaborative relationship with a Mississippi licensed dentist or physician.

Miss. Code. Ann. § 73-15-20

### Regulatory Agency

NP licensure is regulated exclusively by the [Board of Nursing](#).

Miss. Code Ann. § 73-15-9

### Licensure Requirements

Requirements include a registered nurse license, a graduate degree in an NP role and national certification.

Miss. Code Ann. § 73-15-20

### Continuing Education (CE)\*

Forty CE hours are required every two years.

Miss. Code Ann. § 73-15-20

### Medical Staff Membership\*\*

Medical staff is composed pursuant to a facility's bylaws and policies.

15 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 16, Subpt. 1, R. 41.7

### Signature Recognition on Items of Patient Care

- Physical Therapy: NPs are authorized to refer to physical therapy.  
Miss. Code Ann. § 73-23-35
- Parking Permits: NPs are presently authorized to provide proof of disability for disabled parking permits.  
Miss. Code Ann. § 27-19-56
- DNR: NPs are not presently authorized to sign Do Not Resuscitate orders.  
15 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 16, Subpt. 1, R. 1.3.1
- Death Certificates: NPs are not currently authorized to sign death certificates.  
15 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 5, Subpt. 85, R. 4.2
- Provider Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST)/Physician Orders for Sustaining Treatment (POST): NPs are not presently authorized to sign Mississippi's POST form.  
Miss. Code Ann. § 41-41-302

\*Contact hours in specific topics may be required. Please contact your state Board of Nursing for current information.

\*\*Medical Staff Membership refers to governing and voting privileges and is not reflective of clinical or admitting privileges within institutions.

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