



State Policy Fact Sheet: Wyoming

Nurse Practice Act: W.S.1977 § 33-21-119

Regulatory Structure: Full Practice

Wyoming practice and licensure laws authorize nurse practitioners (NPs) to evaluate patients, diagnose and prescribe medications and therapeutic measures.

W.S.1977 § 33-21-120

Regulatory Agency

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

W.S.1977 § 33-21-122

Licensure Requirements

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

W.S.1977 § 33-21-127

Continuing Education (CE)*

NPs must complete CE as required for national certification and complete three hours related to prescribing controlled substances to maintain prescriptive authority.

WY Rules and Regulations 054.0002.2 § 13

Medical Staff Membership**

Medical staff composition is determined by the governing body's procedures at each facility.

WY Rules and Regulations 048.0061.12 § 7

Signature Recognition on Items of Patient Care

- Signature Recognition: Wyoming grants NPs Signature Recognition.
W.S.1977 § 33-21-158
- Physical Therapy: NPs are authorized to refer to physical therapy.
W.S.1977 § 33-25-102
- Parking Permits: NPs are authorized to provide proof of disability for disabled parking permits.
W.S.1977 § 31-2-213
- Death Certificates: NPs are authorized to sign death certificates.
W.S.1977 § 35-1-418
- Provider Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST): NPs may sign the POLST form.
W.S.1977 § 35-22-504

*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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