

AANP State Fact Sheet OHIO



Nurse Practice Act

R.C. § 4723

Regulatory Structure: Reduced Practice

Ohio constrains nurse practitioner (NP) licensure and practice.

Ohio NPs must have a career-long standard care arrangement with a collaborating physician or podiatrist. See the Board of Nursing for more information. **R.C. § 4723.43**

Ohio NPs must also abide by patient and settings limitations on Schedule II medications in state law. See Board of Nursing for more information. **R.C. § 4723.481**

Regulatory Agency

NP licensure is regulated exclusively by the [Board of Nursing](#). **R.C. § 4723.06**

Licensure Requirements

Requirements include a registered nurse license, a graduate degree in an NP role and national certification. **R.C. § 4723.41**

Schedule II Controlled Substance Prescriptive Authority

NPs are not authorized to prescribe Schedule II controlled substances in convenient care clinics. **R.C. § 4723.481**

Continuing Education (CE)*

Twenty-four CE hours are required every two years. See the BON for details. **R.C. § 4723.24**

Medical Staff Membership†

Medical staff composition is determined by a facility's governing body. **R.C. § 3701.351**

Primary Care Providers

NPs are defined in law as primary care providers. **OAC 5160-26-01**

Supervisory Agreement Ratio ‡

One physician or podiatrist may enter into supervisory care agreements with no more than five nurses for prescribing practice. **R.C. § 4723.431**

Signature Recognition on Items of Patient Care

- **Physical Therapy:** NPs are authorized to refer to physical therapy. **R.C. § 4755.48**
- **Parking Permits:** NPs are authorized to provide proof of disability for disabled parking permits. **R.C. § 4503.44**
- **DNR:** NPs are authorized to sign Do Not Resuscitate orders. **R.C. § 2133.211**
- **Death Certificates:** NPs are not presently authorized to sign death certificates. **R.C. § 3705.16**

*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.

‡Exemptions may be available. Please consult full law for guidance.

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