

**21 NCAC 32W .0116 ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT PRACTICE AND LIMITED LICENSE FOR DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES**

- (a) The Board shall waive requirements for licensure in the circumstances set forth in G.S. 90-12.5.
- (b) There are two ways for anesthesiologist assistants to practice under this Rule:
- (1) Hospital to Hospital Credentialing: An anesthesiologist assistant who holds an unrestricted license in good standing to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant in another U.S. state, territory, or district and has unrestricted hospital credentials and privileges in any U.S. state, territory, or district may practice at a licensed North Carolina hospital upon the following terms and conditions:
    - (A) the licensed North Carolina hospital shall verify all anesthesiologist assistant credentials and privileges;
    - (B) the licensed North Carolina hospital shall keep a list of all anesthesiologist assistants coming to practice and shall provide this list to the Board within 10 days of each anesthesiologist assistant practicing at the licensed North Carolina hospital. The licensed North Carolina hospital shall also provide the Board a list of when each anesthesiologist assistant has stopped practicing at the hospital under this Rule within 10 days after each anesthesiologist assistant has ceased practicing under this Rule;
    - (C) all anesthesiologist assistants practicing under this Rule shall be authorized to practice in North Carolina and deemed to be licensed in North Carolina and the Board shall have jurisdiction under G.S. 90-14(a) over all anesthesiologist assistants practicing under this Rule for all purposes set forth in or related to Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and the Board shall retain jurisdiction over any and all anesthesiologist assistants after they have stopped practicing under this Rule;
    - (D) anesthesiologist assistants may practice under this section for the shorter of:
      - (i) 30 days from the date the anesthesiologist assistant has started practicing under this Rule; or
      - (ii) a statement is made by an appropriate authority that the emergency or disaster declaration has been withdrawn or ended and, at such time, the license issued shall become inactive; and
    - (E) anesthesiologist assistants practicing under this Rule shall not receive any compensation outside of their customary compensation for the provision of medical services during a disaster or emergency.
  - (2) Limited Emergency License: An anesthesiologist assistant who holds an unrestricted license in good standing to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant in another U.S. state, territory, or district may apply for a limited emergency license on the following conditions:
    - (A) the applicant must complete an application;
    - (B) the Board shall verify that the anesthesiologist assistant holds an unrestricted license in good standing to practice in another U.S. state, territory, or district;
    - (C) in response to a declared disaster or state of emergency and in order to best serve the public interest, the Board may limit the anesthesiologist assistant's scope of practice;
    - (D) the Board shall have jurisdiction under G.S. 90-14(a) over all anesthesiologist assistants practicing under this Rule for all purposes set forth in or related to Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and the Board shall retain jurisdiction over any and all anesthesiologist assistants after they have stopped practicing under this Rule;
    - (E) this license shall be in effect for the shorter of:
      - (i) 30 days from the date the anesthesiologist assistant has started practicing under this Rule; or
      - (ii) a statement is made by an appropriate authority that the emergency or disaster declaration has been withdrawn or ended and, at such time the license issued shall become inactive; and
    - (F) anesthesiologist assistants holding limited emergency licenses shall not receive any compensation outside of their customary compensation for the provision of [medical services during a disaster or emergency.

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