Title XXXII
REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS
Chapter 464 NURSING

464.022 Exceptions.—No provision of this part shall be construed to prohibit:

1. The care of the sick by friends or members of the family without compensation, the incidental care of the sick by domestic servants, or the incidental care of noninstitutionalized persons by a surrogate family.

2. Assistance by anyone in the case of an emergency.

3. The practice of nursing by students enrolled in approved schools of nursing.

4. The practice of nursing by graduates of prelicensure nursing education programs listed in s.464.008(1)(c), pending the result of the first licensing examination for which they are eligible following graduation, provided they practice under direct supervision of a registered professional nurse. The board shall by rule define what constitutes direct supervision.

5. The rendering of services by nursing assistants acting under the direct supervision of a registered professional nurse.

6. Any nurse practicing in accordance with the practices and principles of the body known as the Church of Christ Scientist; nor shall any rule of the board apply to any sanitarium, nursing home, or rest home operated in accordance with the practices and principles of the body known as the Church of Christ Scientist.

7. The practice of any legally qualified nurse or licensed attendant of another state who is employed by the United States Government, or any bureau, division, or agency thereof, while in the discharge of official duties.

8. Any nurse currently licensed in another state or territory of the United States from performing nursing services in this state for a period of 60 days after furnishing to the employer satisfactory evidence of current licensure in another state or territory and having submitted proper application and fees to the board for licensure prior to employment. If the nurse licensed in another state or territory is relocating to this state pursuant to his or her military-connected spouse’s official military orders, this period shall be 120 days after furnishing to the employer satisfactory evidence of current licensure in another state or territory and having submitted proper application and fees to the board for licensure prior to employment. The board may extend this time for administrative purposes when necessary.

9. The rendering of nursing services on a fee-for-service basis, or the reimbursement for nursing services directly to a nurse rendering such services by any government program, commercial insurance company, hospital or medical services plan, or any other third-party payor.

10. The establishment of an independent practice by one or more nurses for the purpose of rendering to patients nursing services within the scope of the nursing license.

11. The furnishing of hemodialysis treatments in a patient’s home, using an assistant chosen by the patient, provided that the assistant is properly trained, as defined by the board by rule, and has immediate telephonic access to a registered nurse who is licensed pursuant to this part and who has dialysis training and experience.
(12) The practice of nursing by any legally qualified nurse of another state whose employment requires the nurse to accompany and care for a patient temporarily residing in this state for not more than 30 consecutive days, provided the patient is not in an inpatient setting, the board is notified prior to arrival of the patient and nurse, the nurse has the standing physician orders and current medical status of the patient available, and prearrangements with the appropriate licensed health care providers in this state have been made in case the patient needs placement in an inpatient setting.

(13) The practice of nursing by individuals enrolled in board-approved remedial courses.

History.—ss. 1, 6, ch. 79-225; ss. 2, 3, ch. 81-318; ss. 15, 17, 18, ch. 86-284; s. 1, ch. 88-270; s. 58, ch. 91-137; s. 5, ch. 91-156; s. 4, ch. 91-429; s. 86, ch. 97-264; s. 117, ch. 99-397; s. 127, ch. 2000-318; s. 8, ch. 2002-230; s. 10, ch. 2004-230; s. 6, ch. 2010-37.