TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING
NCLEX-RN REGISTRATION AND ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

UTHEALTH SON STUDENT SUMMARY

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CHECK LIST

The following must be received by the Board for your application to be complete. The Board will be unable to approve applicants to take the NCLEX-RN® unless the following information is submitted to the Board. Please keep in mind that some documentation that you provide to the Board to approve your application is time sensitive and will expire after a period of time.

1. **Application by NCLEX-RN® Examination**
   Fee of $125.00
   (No earlier than: 120 days prior to graduation date)
   made payable to the TX Board of Nursing (BON) in the form of a personal check, cashier's check, money order or credit card (online application only).

2. **One (1) FBI fingerprint issued from MorphoTrust (IdentoGo)**
   Website: http://www.identogo.com   *Phone*: (888) 467-2080
   (Recommended: 100 days prior to graduation date)
   Make appointment to get fingerprinted, ONLY after you have made application to the BON. Those submitting online applications should wait at least 3 business days before making the fingerprinting appointment! Those submitting paper applications should wait at least 10 business days before making the fingerprinting appointment.

3. **Registration with NCS Pearson/VUE - to take NCLEX-RN® examination.**
   Website: http://www.vue.com/nclex
   (Recommended: 30 days prior to graduation date)
   Fee of $200.00 to NCS Pearson Vue. (DO NOT SEND $200.00 NCLEX-RN® FEE TO THE BON).

   School Code: US27503500 (UTHealth School of Nursing)

4. **Affidavit of Graduation** (AOG) is completed online by the School of Nursing no later than 5 business days after graduation. Note: All AOG's are completed online, whether the NCLEX application was submitted online or by paper application.

5. The **Nursing Jurisprudence Examination (NJE)** must be passed before a RN license is issued. **As of March 2014, the NJE must be taken in order to be deemed eligible to sit for the NCLEX**. (BUT-you must first have made application to the BON, sent in all fees, and completed the fingerprinting process.)

Texas Nursing Jurisprudence Exam

Steps to Completion

1. **Register:** click the "Register" button.
2. **Account:** during the registration process TBON will identify your existing account or allow you to create a new account.
3. **Complete:** after you register for the exam, login and begin your exam.
4. **Results:** once you pass the exam your results are automatically reported to the Board of Nursing.

Test Information

There are 50 items on the nursing jurisprudence examination (NJE). **You must correctly answer 75% of the questions to pass the NJE**. You will **have two (2) hours** to complete the NJE. Displayed in the upper right hand corner of the computer screen will be a digital clock and the question number so you can monitor your progress throughout the NJE.

You are permitted to access the Board of Nursing (BON) website and other resource material throughout the exam to locate the answers to questions. The NJE will run in another window, thereby leaving this window open to access reference materials on the BON website.

A Passing Result will be posted and recorded to the BON system when all 50 questions are answered and a minimum of 38 questions are answered correctly. A certificate will be available for printing at the end of the examination process. Once a passing result is recorded, Board Staff will be notified and the jurisprudence exam requirement will be updated as completed in your BON file. Keep the certificate for your records. Do not mail the certificate to the BON.

A Failing Result will be posted and recorded to the BON system if 13 or more of the 50 questions are answered incorrectly, or the exam is not completed in the allotted amount of time, or the connection to the exam is closed, terminated or lost. You may NOT reconnect to the test to return to the last question answered. You may, however, retake the exam after 24 hours have elapsed.

Read each question carefully. There is only one correct answer for each question. You are not allowed to use the back-button to check/change a previously answered question.

Resources

Resource List: The resource lists provides topics, testing subject areas and BON Rules/Regulations, NPA sections or other locations where the topic is defined. This information may be printed and used during the testing process.

Nursing Jurisprudence Prep Course: The Texas Board of Nursing has developed a Jurisprudence Exam Prep-Course that offers an overview and interactive instructions on the subject areas covered in the exam. The course is delivered online with the ability to bookmark "Hot Topics" for a quick review. The course, complete with training on how to locate information for further review, printable resources that will aid study and practice questions, will be useful not only for exam preparation but for future nursing practice.

Licensure Eligibility

Applicants must be able to answer "No" to the following questions in order to use the online application. All other applicants may download a complete application packet. Review by the BON of applicants with eligibility issues can take three (3) to six (6) month to complete. Submission of a **DECLARATORY ORDER** is required if you answer yes to ***one or more*** of the following questions (please always review the BON website to verify current requirements when submitting any forms to the BON).

For any criminal offense, including those pending appeal, have you:

A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
B. been convicted of a felony?
C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
D. received deferred adjudication?
E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
I. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?

You may only exclude Class C misdemeanor traffic violations or offenses previously disclosed to the Texas Board of Nursing on an initial renewal licensure application. Please note that DUIs, DWIs, and PIs must be reported and are not considered minor traffic violations.

Expunged and Sealed Offenses: While expunged or sealed offenses, arrests, tickets, or citations need not be disclosed, it is your responsibility to ensure the offense, arrest, ticket, or citation has, in fact, been expunged or sealed. It is recommended that you submit a copy of the Court Order expunging or sealing the record in question to our office with your application. Failure to reveal an offense, arrest, ticket, or citation that is not in fact expunged or sealed, will at a minimum, subject your license to a disciplinary fine. Non-disclosure of relevant offenses raises questions related to truthfulness and character of the Nurse.

Orders of Non-Disclosure: Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §552.142(b), if you have criminal matters that are the subject of an order of non-disclosure, you are not required to reveal those criminal matters on this form. However, a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure may become a character and fitness of duty issue. Pursuant to other sections of the Gov't Code Chapter 411, the Texas Nursing Board is entitled to access criminal history record information that is subject of an order of non-disclosure. If the Board discovers a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure, even if you properly did not reveal that matter, the Board may require you to provide information about any conduct that raises issues of character.

- Are you currently the target or subject of a grand jury or governmental agency investigation?
- Has any licensing authority refused to issue you a license or ever revoked, annulled, cancelled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew a license, certificate or multi-state privilege held by you now or previously, or ever fined, censured, reprimanded or otherwise disciplined you? (You may exclude disciplinary actions previously disclosed to the Texas Board of Nursing on an initial or renewal licensure application)
- *Within the past five (5) years have you been diagnosed with, treated, or hospitalized for schizophrenia and/or a psychotic disorder, bipolar disorder, paranoid personality disorder, antisocial personality disorder, or borderline personality disorder? (You may answer "No" if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN for mental illness OR you've previously disclosed to the Texas Board of Nursing and have remained compliant with your treatment regimen and have had no further hospitalization since disclosure)
- *In the past five (5) years, have you been addicted or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug? (You may answer "No" if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN) [*Click For More Information]