

TITLE 172 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE

CHAPTER 2 FEES

2-001 SCOPE AND AUTHORITY: These regulations establish fees related to the credentialing of individuals and businesses providing health and health-related services under the Uniform Licensing Law (ULL) and, starting December 1, 2008, the Uniform Credentialing Act (UCA).

The credentialing system includes the entire credentialing infrastructure and the process of issuance and renewal of credentials, examinations, inspections, investigations, continuing competency, compliance assurance, and the credentialing review process.

The fees established by these regulations supersede all other fees adopted and promulgated by the Department for the credentialing of these individuals and businesses.

2-002 DEFINITIONS

Credential means a license, certificate, or registration.

Department means the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health.

2-003 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

1. \$25 will be retained by the Department from the credentialing fee when a credential is denied or an application is withdrawn. If the credentialing fee is less than \$25, the fee is forfeited. Examination fees are not returned.
2. \$10 for a duplicate original or reissued credential.
3. \$25 for certification of a credential. This includes a certified statement that provides information regarding the basis on which a credential was issued, the date of issuance, and whether disciplinary action has been taken against the credential.
4. \$5 for verification of a credential. This includes written confirmation as to whether a credential is valid at the time the request is made.
5. Until December 1, 2008, \$25 to place a credential on inactive status. On or after December 1, 2008, there will be no fee for inactive status.

2-004 LICENSEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LAP) FEE: A \$1 LAP fee per year is included in each initial credential and renewal fee listed in 172 NAC 2-010.

2-005 LATE FEES AND REINSTATEMENT FEES UNTIL DECEMBER 1, 2008: The Department will collect:

1. A \$25 late fee in addition to the renewal fee to renew a credential within 30 days after the credential's expiration date.
2. A \$35 late fee in addition to the renewal fee to reinstate a credential not more than one year after the date of revocation for failure to meet the renewal requirements.
3. A \$75 late fee in addition to the renewal fee to reinstate a credential more than one year after the date of revocation for failure to meet the renewal requirements.
4. A \$75 fee to reinstate a credential following suspension, limitation, or revocation for disciplinary reasons.

2-006 REINSTATEMENT FEE ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 1, 2008: The Department will collect a reinstatement fee of \$35 in addition to the renewal fee to reinstate an expired or inactive credential. There will be no late fees on or after December 1, 2008.

2-007 PRORATION OF CREDENTIALING FEES: When a credential will expire within 180 days after its initial issuance date and the initial credentialing fee is \$25 or more, the Department will collect \$25 or one-fourth of the initial credentialing fee, whichever is greater, for the initial credential. The credential will be valid until the next subsequent renewal date.

2-008 BASE COSTS, VARIABLE COSTS, AND ADJUSTMENTS: The ULL/UCA requires the Department to determine the cost of the credentialing system by calculating the total of the base costs, variable costs, and certain adjustments to revenue, such as earned interest and collection of administrative, reinstatement, and other miscellaneous service fees. Credentialing fees are the primary source of revenue to cover this cost.

1. Base costs of credentialing are the costs common to all professions and businesses under the ULL/UCA and include:
  - a. Salaries and benefits for employees of the Department who work with credentialing activities;
  - b. Shared operating costs for credentialing activities that are not specific to a particular profession or business such as indirect costs, rent, and utilities;
  - c. Costs related to compliance assurance, including investigative costs, contested case costs, and compliance monitoring;
  - d. Costs of the Licensee Assistance Program;

- e. Capital costs, including office equipment and computer hardware or software, which are not specific to a particular profession or business; and
  - f. Other reasonable and necessary costs as determined by the Department.
2. Variable costs of credentialing are the costs unique to a specific profession or business under the ULL/UCA and include the following:
- a. Per diems which are paid to members of the appropriate board;
  - b. Operating costs that are specific to a particular profession or business, including publications, conference registrations, and subscriptions;
  - c. Costs for travel by members of the appropriate board and employees of the Department related to a particular profession or business, including car rental, gas, and mileage charges but not salaries;
  - d. Costs to operate and administer the Nebraska Center for Nursing, which costs are derived from credentialing fees of registered and practical nurses in accordance with the Nebraska Center for Nursing Act; and
  - e. Other reasonable and necessary costs as determined by the appropriate board or Department.

2-009 CREDENTIALING FEES: The Department, with the recommendation of the appropriate board if applicable, is authorized to establish and collect credentialing fees for:

- 1. Initial credentials, including:
  - a. Licensure, certification, or registration;
  - b. Add-on or specialty credentials;
  - c. Temporary, provisional, or training credentials; and
  - d. Supervisory or collaborative relationship credentials;
- 2. Applications to renew licenses, certifications, and registrations;
- 3. Approval of continuing education courses and other methods of continuing competency; and
- 4. Inspections and reinspections.

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2-010 CREDENTIALING FEE AMOUNTS: Credentials are licenses unless otherwise noted, and are renewed biennially unless otherwise noted.

PROFESSION / OCCUPATION / BUSINESS	INITIAL	RENEWAL	OTHER CREDENTIALING FEES (IF ANY)
Acupuncture	\$300	\$121	
Alcohol / Drug Counseling	\$175	\$175	\$100 examination fee
Provisional Alcohol / Drug Counseling	\$275	\$175	
Athletic Training	\$117	\$117	
Audiologist	\$140	\$140	
Certification to Supervise Audiology Assistant	\$25	NA	
Temporary	\$140	NA	
Audiology Assistant, Registered (annual)	\$60	\$60	
Body Art			
Body Brander	\$95	\$118	
Body Piercer	\$95	\$118	
Guest Body Artist, Registered	\$30	NA	
Permanent Color Technician	\$95	\$118	
Tattoo Artist	\$95	\$118	
Body Art Facility	\$150	\$150	\$50 for reinspection if required
Chiropractic	\$144	\$144	
Cosmetology			\$30 for continuing competency programs; may include program in esthetics and/or nail technology.
Cosmetician, Registered	\$95		
Cosmetologist	\$95	\$118	Cost of examination
Temporary	\$25	NA	
Cosmetology Instructor	\$50	\$50	Cost of examination
Temporary	\$25	NA	
Guest Artist, Registered	\$30	NA	
Cosmetology Establishments			
Apprentice Salon	\$300	\$300	\$50 for reinspection if required
Cosmetic Establishment	\$150	\$150	\$50 for reinspection if required
Cosmetology Salon	\$150	\$150	\$50 for reinspection if required
Home Service Permit	\$118	\$118	\$50 for reinspection if required
School of Cosmetology	\$300	\$300	\$150 to transfer location within county
Satellite Classroom	\$200	\$200	\$50 for reinspection if required

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Delegated Dispensing Permit (annual)			
Dialysis Drug or Device Distributor	\$125	\$75	
Medical Gas Distributor	\$125	\$75	
Public Health Clinic	\$125	\$75	
Dental Faculty	\$165	\$165	
Dentistry	\$165	\$165	
Temporary	\$50	NA	
General Anesthesia Permit (four-year renewal)	\$200	\$200	
Inhalation Analgesia Permit (four-year renewal)	\$200	\$200	
Parenteral Sedation Permit (four-year renewal)	\$200	\$200	
Dental Hygiene	\$110	\$110	
Local Anesthesia Certificate	\$25	NA	
Electrology			\$30 for continuing competency programs
Electrologist	\$95	\$118	Cost of examination
Electrology Instructor	\$50	\$50	Cost of examination
Emergency Medical Services	NA	NA	Administrative fees, late fees, and reinstatement fees only
Environmental Health Specialists, Registered	\$116	\$116	
Environmental Health Specialist Trainee, Registered	\$116	NA	
Esthetics			\$30 for continuing competency programs; may include program in cosmetology and/or nail technology
Esthetician	\$95	\$118	Cost of examination
Esthetics Instructor	\$50	\$50	Cost of examination
Esthetics Salon	\$150	\$150	\$50 for reinspection if required
School of Esthetics	\$300	\$300	\$50 for reinspection if required; \$300 to transfer location within county
Apprentice Salon	\$300	\$300	\$50 for reinspection if required
Funeral Directing / Embalming	\$90	\$90	
Apprentice, Registered	\$25	NA	
Embalming	NA	\$15	
Funeral Directing	NA	\$15	
Funeral / Branch Establishments	\$250 / \$75	\$250 / \$75	\$100 / \$50 for location change; \$10 for manager change; \$10 for name change
Hearing Aid Instrument Dispensing / Fitting	\$165	\$165	

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HAID license based on Audiology license	\$25	\$165	
Temporary (one-time renewal)	\$85	\$85	
Massage Therapy	\$110	\$110	
Temporary	\$25	NA	
Massage Therapy Establishments	\$127	\$127	\$127 for location change; \$10 for name change; \$10 for owner change
Massage Therapy Schools	\$150	\$150	\$150 for location change; \$10 for name change; \$10 for owner change
Medical Nutrition Therapy	\$114	\$114	
Medical Radiographer	\$146	\$146	
Limited Radiographer	\$146	\$146	\$70 examination fee
Temporary Medical Radiographer	\$15	NA	
Medicine / Surgery	\$300	\$121	
Approval to Supervise Physician Assistant	\$150	\$110	
Locum Tenens Permit	\$100	NA	
Temporary Educational Permit (annual)	\$25	\$25	
Temporary Visiting Faculty Permit (annual)	\$25	\$25	
Mental Health Practice			
Mental Health Practitioner	\$155	\$155	
Independent Mental Health Practitioner (without LMHP license)	\$155	\$155	
Independent Mental Health Practitioner (with LMHP license)	\$50	\$50	
Marriage / Family Therapy, Certified	\$50	\$50	
Professional Counseling, Certified	\$50	\$50	
Master Social Work, Certified	\$50	\$50	
Master Social Work, Certified (without LMHP license)	\$125	\$125	
Social Work, Certified	\$125	\$125	
Provisional Mental Health Practitioner (with or without PCMSW)	\$125	NA	
Provisional Master Social Worker (without PLMHP)	\$125	NA	
Nail Technology			\$30 for continuing competency programs; may include program in cosmetology and/or esthetics.
Nail Technician	\$95	\$118	Cost of examination
Nail Technology Instructor	\$50	\$50	Cost of examination
Nail Technology Salon	\$150	\$150	\$50 for reinspection if required
Nail Technology School	\$300	\$300	\$50 for reinspection if required; \$300 to

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			transfer location within county
Nursing, Registered / Practical	\$123 / \$123	\$123 / \$123	
Advanced Practice Nursing (in addition to RN license)	\$68	\$68	
Licensed Practical Nurse, Certified (in addition to LPN license)	\$68	\$68	
Nursing Home Administration	\$166	\$166	\$25 for continuing education programs
Administrator-in-Training / Mentoring	\$50	NA	
Preceptor, Certified (four-year renewal)	\$25	\$25	
Provisional Nursing Home Administrator	\$110	NA	
Occupational Therapist	\$120	\$120	\$120 for certification to apply Deep Thermal Agents Modality, Electrotherapeutic Agents Modality, Superficial Thermal Agents Modality, or combination of modalities
Temporary	\$25	NA	
Occupational Therapy Assistant	\$120	\$120	\$120 for certification to apply Superficial Thermal Agents Modality
Temporary	\$25	NA	
Optometry	\$146	\$146	\$10 for diagnostic certification; \$10 for therapeutic certification
Osteopathic Medicine	\$300	\$121	
Osteopathic Medicine / Surgery	\$300	\$121	
Perfusion	\$150	\$110	
Pharmacist	\$178	\$178	
Pharmacist Intern, Registered	\$50	NA	
Pharmacy Technician, Registered	\$25	\$25	
Temporary Educational Permit (annual)	\$50	\$50	
Physical Therapist	\$133	\$133	
Physical Therapist Assistant, Certified	\$90	\$90	
Physician Assistant	\$150	\$110	
Podiatry	\$131	\$131	
Psychology	\$183	\$183	
Provisional	\$50	NA	
Special License	NA	\$183	
Temporary	\$50	NA	
30-Day	\$50	NA	

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Upgrade Special License to Full License	\$50	NA	
Psychological Assistant, Registered	\$50	NA	
Psychologist Associate, Registered	\$50	NA	
Respiratory Care	\$118	\$118	
Speech-Language Pathologist	\$140	\$140	
Certification to Supervise Speech-Language Pathology Assistant	\$25	NA	
Speech-Language Pathology Assistant, Registered	\$60	\$60	
Temporary	\$140	NA	
Veterinary Medicine / Surgery	\$250	\$168	
Veterinary Technician	\$100	\$63	\$130 examination fee

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