

Alabama Board of Nursing / Statement Regarding Licensure

Nursing students may be denied the right to take the nursing licensure exam or may be penalized by the Alabama Board of Nursing in accordance with the Alabama Law Regulating Practice of Registered and Practical Nursing as stated below:

Alabama Administrative Code Chapter 610-X-8 Disciplinary Action

610-X-8-.02 Grounds for Denial of a License.

The following may be grounds for denial of an application for initial licensure and/or temporary permit by examination or endorsement:

1. Failure to meet any requirement or standard established by law or by rules and regulations adopted by the Board.
2. Engaging in fraud, misrepresentation, deception, or concealment of a material fact in applying for or securing licensure or taking any examination required for licensure.
3. A course of conduct that would be grounds for discipline under Rule 610-X-8-.03.
4. Having disciplinary action pending or having had a license, registration, or certification for any health-related profession denied, conditionally issued, fined, reprimanded, censured, restricted, limited, placed on probation, suspended, revoked, or voluntarily surrendered, or otherwise encumbered in any state, territory or country.
5. Having been court-martialed or administratively discharged by a branch of the United States Armed Forces for any act or conduct that would constitute grounds for discipline in Alabama under Rule 610-X-8-.03.
6. Having engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with good moral character.
 - a. The decision as to whether the applicant has engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with good moral character is within the discretion of the Board of Nursing.
 - b. In determining whether the applicant has engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with good moral character, the Board may consider the applicant's criminal history, pattern of illegal conduct or disregard for the law, or other evidence bearing on the applicant's fitness and capacity for practice as a licensed nursing.
7. Non-compliance with a monitoring agreement or contract with an alternative to discipline program or order issued in another jurisdiction pertaining to any license, certification, or registration for a health-related profession.
8. Any other reasons authorized by law.

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