

Subject Border state nursing licensure reciprocity for aftercare services

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Summary

Under current statute, the Minnesota Board of Nursing must recognize licensure privilege for nurses licensed in Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin, if:

- 1) the licensure standards in the state licensed are substantially the same as Minnesota licensure standards;
- 2) the border state has not taken adverse action against the nurse license;
- 3) the nurse is not participating in an alternative or diversion program; or
- 4) the nurse has not been refused a license to practice nursing in Minnesota.

This bill exempts a nurse licensed in a border state from the above license recognition reciprocity provisions, if:

- 1) the nurse providing is aftercare to a patient who received a service, treatment, or procedure in a facility or clinic located in the border state in which the nurse is licensed; and
- 2) the aftercare is provided to the patient who is located in Minnesota.

The bill also limits aftercare to contact with the patient by telephone or other electronic means to inquire about the condition of the patient following the service, treatment, or procedure.