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Refresher Courses for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses Policy

- I. Introduction/Purpose: In accordance with the *Rules of the Oklahoma Board of Nursing*, the Board has developed the *Refresher Courses for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses Policy* for use by an applicant for licensure by endorsement or for reinstatement as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) who is seeking to demonstrate evidence of continued qualifications for practice through completion of an APRN refresher course.
- II. Requirements for the APRN refresher course:
- A. The APRN refresher course will be a structured program offered by a:
1. College or university approved to offer a graduate level advanced practice registered nursing education program; or
 2. Continuing education provider approved by a recognized approver of APRN continuing education
- B. The APRN refresher course will be developed and implemented by persons who are currently licensed or recognized as APRNs.
- C. The APRN refresher course will provide didactic and clinical instruction in the full scope of practice in the appropriate advanced practice role and population focus, and include a clinical component supervised by a qualified preceptor with an evaluation of the participant's clinical competency. At a minimum, the APRN refresher course content will include instruction and associated clinical practice in:
1. Advanced physiology/pathophysiology
 2. Advanced health assessment
 3. Pharmacotherapeutics
 4. Diagnosis and management of diseases and/or conditions consistent with current standards of care
 5. Ordering and interpreting diagnostic and laboratory tests
 6. Safe and competent performance of procedures
 7. APRN scope of practice as defined by the state Nursing Practice Act and board rules
 8. Accepted standards of practice for the APRN
- III. Regulatory Authority: 59 O.S. §567.5a; OAC 485:10-15-5