

OKLAHOMA BOARD OF NURSING  
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NCLEX or AUA Certification Applicants  
With History of Arrest/Deferred Sentence/Conviction Policy

- I. Regulatory Services staff may approve the application for a single state license of an NCLEX or AUA certification Applicant with a misdemeanor offense in the following cases:
- A. First instance of a misdemeanor including but not limited to bogus checks, larceny of merchandise, or violation of a state or federal narcotics or controlled dangerous substance law; and
  - B. The misdemeanor offense was not plea bargained from an initial felony charge; and
  - C. The candidate has no other criminal charge(s), judgment, or sentencing pending.

Regulatory Services staff may, at their discretion, request further review by the Investigative Division of any Application for their approval and/or review.

- II. All other Applications of NCLEX or AUA certification Applicants with arrest(s), history of disciplinary action, and/or judicial declaration of mental incompetence, will be reviewed by the Investigative Division and prosecuting attorney for a decision regarding approval. The Investigative Division Staff may utilize the NCLEX/AUA Applicant Disciplinary Guidelines (OBN Policy/Guideline #I-33).
- III. All Applications of Applicants with arrests, misdemeanors, felonies, history of disciplinary action, or judicial declaration of mental incompetence, not falling within the parameters of Section I and/or the NCLEX/AUA Applicant Disciplinary Guidelines, must come before the Informal Disposition Panel and/or the Board for decision.

Any Applicant with four or greater criminal offenses shall appear before the Informal Disposition Panel and/or the Board.

- IV. **Regulatory Authority:** 59 O.S. §567.8