

655—3.2 (17A,147,152,272C) Mandatory licensure.

3.2(1) A person who practices nursing in the state of Iowa as defined in Iowa Code section 152.1, outside of one's family, shall have a current Iowa license, whether or not the employer is in Iowa and whether or not the person receives compensation. The nurse shall maintain a copy of the license and shall have it available for inspection when engaged in the practice of nursing in Iowa.

3.2(2) Current Iowa licensure is not mandatory when:

a. A nurse who resides in another party state is recognized for licensure in this state pursuant to the nurse licensure compact contained in Iowa Code chapter 152E. The nurse shall maintain a copy of the license and shall have it available for inspection when engaged in the practice of nursing in Iowa.

b. A nurse who holds an active license in another state provides services to patients in Iowa only during interstate transit.

c. A nurse who holds an active license in another state provides emergency services in an area in which the governor of Iowa has declared a state of emergency.

3.2(3) A nurse who is enrolled in an approved nursing program shall hold an active license in the U.S. jurisdiction(s) in which the nurse provides patient care. An individual from another country who is enrolled in a course of study for registered nurses or licensed practical nurses shall hold an active license in the U.S. jurisdiction(s) in which the individual provides patient care.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 147.2.