

**283—34.3(261) Eligibility requirements.****34.3(1)** Applicants must be:

- a.* Registered nurses employed as nurses in Iowa; or
- b.* Registered nurses who hold bachelor's, master's, specialist, or doctorate degrees who are employed as teachers by eligible colleges or universities.

**34.3(2)** Applicants must complete and file annual applications for the registered nurse and nurse educator loan forgiveness program by the deadline established by the commission. If funds remain available after the application deadline, the commission will continue to accept applications.

**34.3(3)** Applicants must annually complete and return to the commission affidavits of practice verifying that they are employed as registered nurses in Iowa or as nurse educators at eligible Iowa colleges or universities.

**34.3(4)** Applicants must begin their first registered nurse or nurse educator positions in Iowa on or after July 1, 2007.

**34.3(5)** Applicants who received funding under the registered nurse recruitment program will be eligible for funding under the registered nurse and nurse educator loan forgiveness program for five years minus one year for each year that a loan was received under the registered nurse recruitment program.