- WAC 246-12-020 How to obtain an initial credential. (1) An initial credential for a practitioner is issued once all eligibility requirements are met.
 - (2) To obtain an initial credential, the practitioner must:
 - (a) Pay applicable application, examination and licensing fees;
 - (b) Submit an application on forms approved by the secretary;
- (c) Submit supporting documentation required by the regulatory entity.
- (3) The initial credential will expire on the practitioner's birthday, except for faculty or postgraduate education credentials authorized by law. Initial credentials issued within ninety days of the practitioner's birthday do not expire until the practitioner's next birthday.

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