

WAC 246-840-033 Applicants who have completed part of an approved RN program applying for LPN licensure. Applicants who have completed part of an approved registered nursing (RN) education program and are applying for licensure as a licensed practical nurse (LPN) shall:

(1) Have completed all course work required of board-approved practical nursing education programs listed in WAC 246-840-539. Required courses not included in the RN education program may be accepted if the courses were obtained through a board-approved program. The board retains authority to evaluate and determine the sufficiency of academic preparation for all applicants.

(2) Have completed a board-approved professional vocational relationship course.

(3) Have an official transcript sent directly from the applicant's nursing education program to the board. Transcripts must be received no later than 90 days after the applicant's first attempt at the board-approved licensure examination. The transcript must:

(a) Include the applicant's dates of enrollment, course names, earned credits, date of graduation, and the credential conferred, if applicable. If credits have been accepted from other programs, the transcript must identify those programs; and

(b) Show that the applicant has completed all course work required in a board-approved practical nurse program listed in WAC 246-840-539. If the applicant is from a traditional nursing education program approved by another U.S. jurisdiction, the program must substantially meet the requirements of board-approved nursing education in Washington state.

(4) Have an attestation sent from the nurse administrator of the applicant's RN education program indicating that the applicant is capable of safely practicing within the scope of practice of an LPN.

(5) Pass the board-approved licensure examination for LPNs as provided in WAC 246-840-050. If the applicant is from a board-approved Washington state nursing education program, the board may authorize testing upon receipt of a certificate of completion issued by the nurse administrator of the nursing education program.

(6) Submit a completed licensure application with the required fee as specified in WAC 246-840-990.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.79.010, 18.79.110, and 43.07.041. WSR 26-02-031, s 246-840-033, filed 12/30/25, effective 1/30/26.]