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## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES CLEARINGHOUSE

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### CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 13-098

#### Comments

**[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated November 2011.]**

#### **2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code**

- a. In the introductory clause, “ch.” should be inserted before “N 9”.
- b. In the treatment clause of SECTION 1, “Chapter” should be inserted before “N 9”.
- c. The agency might consider including a purpose statement at the beginning of ch. N 9 to explain that ch. N 9 is implementing s. 441.50 (6) (d), Stats. [s. 1.02 (3) (a), Manual.]
- d. Throughout the rule, when referencing the compact, it would be useful to also reference s. 441.50, Stats., with language such as “the compact under s. 441.50, Stats.”.
- e. Throughout the rule, numbers are written out and the Arabic numerals are inserted after the word in parentheses. For example, see ss. N 9.02 (6), (7), and (9) and 9.04 (2) to (5). Use only the Arabic numerals when referring to numbers, except that the number “one” and numbers at the beginning of a sentence should be spelled out. [s. 1.01 (5), Manual.]
- f. The title of ch. N 9 should be in solid capital letters. [s. 1.05 (2) (a), Manual.]
- g. Section titles throughout the rule should be in bold, with an initial capital letter. [s. 1.05 (2) (b), Manual.]
- h. In s. N 9.01 (title), “of terms in the Compact” should be deleted.
- i. In s. N 9.01 (1) (c), the word “domicile” at the end of the definition of “primary state of residence” should be deleted.

j. In s. N 9.01 (1) (d), the word “Boards” in the definition of “public” should not be capitalized. [s. 1.01 (4), Manual.]

k. In s. N 9.02 (1), the acronym “NCLEX” should be defined before it is used. [s. 1.01 (8), Manual.]

l. In s. N 9.02 (2), the phrase “but is not limited to” should be deleted. [s. 1.01 (7) (d), Manual.]

m. When using subunits for lists in the rule, such as in ss. N 9.02 (2) and 9.04 (1) (a) and (3), each subunit should end in a period to make future insertions or deletions easier. In addition, the introductory clause preceding the subunits should contain a phrase such as “all of the following” or “any of the following”. [s. 1.03 (3) and (4), Manual.]

n. In s. N 9.02 (2) (d), the words “Form No.” should not be capitalized. [s. 1.01 (4), Manual.]

o. In s. N 9.02 (2) (e), “US Government” should be replaced with “U.S. government”. [s. 1.01 (4), Manual.]

p. In s. N 9.02 (5), the phrase “single state license”, in parentheses, should be defined in the definitions section in s. N 9.01. Parenthetical terms should not be used in the rule. [s. 1.01 (6), Manual.]

q. In ss. N 9.03 (2) and 9.04 (1) (a) 2., “(s)” should not be used to form the plural of a word. [s. 1.01 (9) (e), Manual.]

r. In s. N 9.04 (3) (a), the parentheses should be deleted, and a comma should be inserted before “except”. [s. 1.01 (6), Manual.]

#### **4. Adequacy of References to Related Statutes, Rules and Forms**

a. In the statutory authority section, “441.50 (6) (c)” should be replaced with “441.50 (6) (d)”.

b. In s. N 9.01 (2), the reference should be s. 441.50 (2), Stats.

c. In s. N 9.02 (7), “sub. 6” should be replaced with “sub. (6)”. [s. 1.07 (2), Manual.]

#### **5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language**

a. In s. N 9.01 (1) (a), “a” should be inserted after “means” in the definition of “board”.

b. In s. N 9.03 (1), the commas should be rearranged in the first sentence. Insert a comma after “include”, delete the comma after “agreements”, and insert a comma after “monitoring”.

c. In s. N 9.03 (2), “who had” should be inserted after the word “or” in the first sentence, and “or” should be inserted before “suspended”.

d. In s. N 9.04 (1) (intro.), the introductory sentence is incomplete and unclear. In addition, it appears that “in the information system” should be inserted after “nurse licensure information” in s. N 9.04 (1) (a).

e. In s. N 9.04 (1) (b) and (c), “the” or “a” should be inserted before the word “contributing”.