



IMPORTANT NEWS FOR FLORIDA CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS

The Legislature passed and Governor Bush signed SB 410 into law, effective July 1, 2005. This measure provides for the following:

- Scope of practice for CNAs based upon federal regulations
- Reduction in the required number of annual in-service hours for CNAs from 18 to 12
- Establishing a renewal system for CNAs

All CNAs are requested to verify their current address with the CNA Registry. Below is a form which you may complete and return to the address indicated by August 10, 2005. That will ensure that a renewal form will be sent to the correct address in late September.

All CNA certificates will expire on December 31, 2005 and will need to be renewed this year during October, November and December. The fee for renewal will be \$20 plus \$5 for unlicensed activity, or a total of \$25.00. Certificates not renewed by December 31, 2005, will be delinquent, and a late fee of \$20 will be assessed, for a total due of \$45.00. You cannot work on a delinquent certificate.

CNAs will be asked to verify their employment during renewal. Certificates not renewed will go null and void on July 1, 2006, and the CNA will have to apply to take the CNA examination again to obtain a new certificate. You cannot work on a null and void certificate.

CNAs who were newly certified on May 16, 2005, and thereafter, do not need to renew this year but will be issued a new certificate with an expiry date of December 31, 2007.

The CNA certificate and number system will also change during this renewal period. These changes will eventually affect the CNA lookup screens. Every effort will be made to keep the information about current certification available to internet users.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. You can keep updated about these and other changes by enrolling in the Board Web Forum at <http://forum.doh.state.fl.us/~MQAnursing> or by checking the CNA web page at http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/cna/cna_home.html. If you have questions, please contact the CNA Registry via email at MQA_CNA@doh.state.fl.us, or via phone at (850) 245-4567.



Jeb Bush
Governor

John O. Agwunobi, M.D., M.B.A. M.P.H.
Secretary

Dear Florida Certified Nursing Assistant:

Your cooperation is requested to make sure that the Board of Nursing/CNA Registry has your correct address. Please complete this form and return to the address below as soon as possible. **DO NOT SEND MONEY WITH THIS FORM.**

You will receive information this fall on changes to the CNA certification program in Florida:

- Certificates will be renewed every two years starting this fall
- Certificates will have an expiration date
- In-service hours have been reduced from 18 to 12 each calendar year

CNAs are required to notify the Board office of address changes in writing and within 60 days. Renewal notices will be mailed to your current address in late September 2005.

Name: *(please print)*

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Social Security Number: _____ Birth Date _____

Current Mailing Address:	Current Practice/Work Address:
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_____	_____
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Telephone number: _____ Telephone number: _____

E-mail address: _____ E-mail address: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Return this form to:

CNA Registry
4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C13
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Note

Your Mailing Address is used to mail renewal notices, newsletters, and other important information regarding your profession. Your Practice Location appears on your license and the Internet. If a practice location is not provided, your mailing address will be used for both.