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State	Renewal in 2016?	Renewal Date	Is CE Required?	How Many Hours of CE Required?
Alabama	N	11/30/2017	Y	24 Contact Hours Every 2 Years.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.abn.state.al.us/">http://www.abn.state.al.us/</a>				
Alaska	Y	9/30/2016	Y	30 contact hours, OR 30 hours professional nursing activities, OR 320 hours nursing employment.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/cbp/Main/CBPLSearch.aspx?mode=Prof">https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/cbp/Main/CBPLSearch.aspx?mode=Prof</a>				
Arizona	Y	Every 5 years	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.azbn.gov/Default.aspx">https://www.azbn.gov/Default.aspx</a>				
Arkansas	Y	The last day of your birth month.	Y	15 contact hours every two years, or certification or recertification during the renewal period by a national certifying body, or completion of a recognized academic course in nursing or a related field.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.ark.org/nurse_renew/index.php/renewal/start">https://www.ark.org/nurse_renew/index.php/renewal/start</a>				
California	Y	The last day of the month following your birth date.	Y	30 Contact Hours Every 2 Years
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.breeze.ca.gov/datamart/loginCADCA.do;jsessionid=83FF632D2038813C575DC64E9C158031.vo7">https://www.breeze.ca.gov/datamart/loginCADCA.do;jsessionid=83FF632D2038813C575DC64E9C158031.vo7</a>				
Colorado	Y	9/30/2016	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/dora/licensing/Default.aspx">https://www.colorado.gov/dora/licensing/Default.aspx</a>				
Connecticut	Y	Annually	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3121&amp;q=443448">http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3121&amp;q=443448</a>				
Delaware	Y	2/28/2016	Y	24 contact hours every 2 years. Three (3) of the 24 hours must be in the area of substance abuse.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/nursing/reinstatement.shtml">http://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/nursing/reinstatement.shtml</a>				
District of Columbia	N	6/30/2017	Y	18 contact hours every 2 years. 3 contact hours on HIV/AIDS is required.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://app.hpla.doh.dc.gov/mylicense/">https://app.hpla.doh.dc.gov/mylicense/</a>				
Florida	N	7/31/2017	Y	Two-hour course on the laws and rules that govern the practice of nursing in Florida. This will be part of the total 24 hours that are required each biennium.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://appsmqa.doh.state.fl.us/MQAPathways/MqaServices/index?page=renew">https://appsmqa.doh.state.fl.us/MQAPathways/MqaServices/index?page=renew</a>				



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Georgia	N	3/31/2017	Y	Completion of twenty (20) continuing education hours by a Board approved provider [O.C.G.A. §43- 26-39(b.1)(1)]. Or, Completion of an accredited academic program of study in registered professional nursing, as recognized by the board. [O.C.G.A. §43-26-39(b.1)(2)].
Renewal Link: <a href="https://secure.sos.state.ga.us/mylicense/PersonSearchResults.aspx?process=REN">https://secure.sos.state.ga.us/mylicense/PersonSearchResults.aspx?process=REN</a>				
Hawaii	N	Every Odd Numbered Year	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing/">http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing/</a>				
Idaho	Y	8/31/2016	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://ibn.idaho.gov/IBNPortal/AgencyAdditional.aspx?Agency=426&amp;AgencyLinkID=4">http://ibn.idaho.gov/IBNPortal/AgencyAdditional.aspx?Agency=426&amp;AgencyLinkID=4</a>				
Illinois	N	1/31/2017	Y	20 hours of approved continuing education per 2 year license renewal cycle. All CE must be completed in the 24 months preceding expiration of the license.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.idfpr.com/Renewals/defaultSSL.asp">https://www.idfpr.com/Renewals/defaultSSL.asp</a>				
Indiana	Y	10/31/2016	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.in.gov/pla/3277.htm">http://www.in.gov/pla/3277.htm</a>				
Iowa	Y	Every 3 Years	Y	36 contact hours; For renewal of a license that has been issued for less than three years, the requirement is 24 contact hours. For reactivation from an inactive status, the requirement is 12 contact hours that are not more than 12 months old at the time the credit is submitted for reactivation For renewal of a license that has been issued for less than three years, the requirement is 24 contact hours or 2.4 CEUs. It is also required that RNs and LPNs who regularly examine, attend, counsel or treat dependent adults or children in Iowa complete training related to the identification and reporting of child/dependent adult abuse. The licensee is required to complete at least two hours of training every five years. The Mandatory Abuse Course taken to meet this requirement MUST be a course that has been approved by the Public Health Abuse Education Review Panel.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://nursing.iowa.gov/online-services">https://nursing.iowa.gov/online-services</a>				



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Kansas	Y	The last day of the month you were born.	Y	30 contact hours every 2 years. There is no maximum on the number of independent study hours that can be obtained
Renewal Link: <a href="https://egov.ksbn.ks.gov/egov/">https://egov.ksbn.ks.gov/egov/</a>				
Kentucky	Y	10/31/2016	Y	14 contact hours every year for LPNs.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://kbn.ky.gov/Pages/renewal.aspx">http://kbn.ky.gov/Pages/renewal.aspx</a>				
Louisiana	Y	10/31/2016	Y	5 contact hours (full-time nursing practice), 10 contact hours (part-time nursing practice), or 15 contact hours (not employed or worked less than 160 hours).
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.lsbm.state.la.us/">http://www.lsbm.state.la.us/</a>				
Maine	Y	Every 2 Years	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.state.me.us/boardofnursing/Licensing/Renewals/index.htm">http://www.state.me.us/boardofnursing/Licensing/Renewals/index.htm</a>				
Maryland	Y	Biennial	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/olrenew-siteselect.aspx">http://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/olrenew-siteselect.aspx</a>				
Massachusetts	N	On birthday of odd numbered years.	Y	15 contact hours every 2 years.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://onlineservices.hhs.state.ma.us/MyLicense%20Enterprise/">https://onlineservices.hhs.state.ma.us/MyLicense%20Enterprise/</a>				
Michigan	Y	Biennial	Y	All Michigan licensed nurses must complete 25 hours of board approved continuing education, with at least one hour in pain and symptom management, within the two years immediately preceding the expiration date of their license.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/elicense">http://www.michigan.gov/elicense</a>				
Minnesota	Y	Biennial	Y	12 contact hours every 2 years.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.hlb.state.mn.us/mbn/Portal/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabindex=0&amp;tabid=41">https://www.hlb.state.mn.us/mbn/Portal/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabindex=0&amp;tabid=41</a>				
Mississippi	N	12/31/2017	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="https://gateway.licensure.msbn.ms.gov/">https://gateway.licensure.msbn.ms.gov/</a>				



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Missouri	Y	5/3/2016	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="http://pr.mo.gov/nursing-licensure.asp">http://pr.mo.gov/nursing-licensure.asp</a>				
Montana	Y	Biennial. Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	Y	24 contact hours during the two year renewal period.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://bsd.dli.mt.gov/license/bsd_boards/nur_board/board_page.asp">http://bsd.dli.mt.gov/license/bsd_boards/nur_board/board_page.asp</a>				
Nebraska	N	10/31/2017	Y	20 contact hours of continuing education within the past 2 years.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://nebraska.mylicense.com/">https://nebraska.mylicense.com/</a>				
Nevada	Y	Every second birthday.	Y	30 hours of nursing-related continuing education in the previous 24 months, and must have completed the state-required bioterrorism course.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.nursingboard.state.nv.us/renewal/nvbonrenewal.asp">http://www.nursingboard.state.nv.us/renewal/nvbonrenewal.asp</a>				
New Hampshire	Y	Biennial, before midnight of her/his birthday.	Y	30 contact hours in 2 years immediately preceding license application including workshops, conferences, lectures or other education offerings designed to enhance nursing knowledge, judgment, and skills. There is no limit to the number of contact hours that can be completed through independent study.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://nhlicenses.nh.gov/MyLicense%20Enterprise/">https://nhlicenses.nh.gov/MyLicense%20Enterprise/</a>				
New Jersey	Y	5/31/2016	Y	LPNs are required to complete 30 contact hours of continuing professional education every two years.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/renewals/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/renewals/Pages/default.aspx</a>				
New Mexico	Y	Biennial	Y	30 hours of approved CE within the 24 months immediately preceding expiration of license.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.bon.state.nm.us/lookup.html">https://www.bon.state.nm.us/lookup.html</a>				
New York	Y	Every 4 Years	Y	3 contact hours infection control every 4 years; Program must be from an approved provider.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://eservices.nysed.gov/profs/welcome.do">https://eservices.nysed.gov/profs/welcome.do</a>				



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North Carolina	Y	At midnight on the last day of your birth month.	Y	One of the following is required: 1) National certification or re-certification by a national credentialing body recognized by the Board. 2) 30 contact hours of continued education. 3) Completion of a Board approved refresher course. 4) Completion of a minimum of two semester hours of post-licensure academic education related to nursing practice. -- OR--15 contact hours of continued education and one of the following: 1) Completion of a nursing project as principal investigator or co-investigator to include statement of problem, project objectives, methods, date of completion and summary of findings. 2) Authoring or co-authoring a nursing related article, paper, book or book chapter. 3) Developing and conducting a nursing continuing education presentation or presentations totaling a minimum of five contact hours, including program brochure or course syllabi, objectives, date and location of presentation, and approximate number of attendees. 4) 640 hours of active practice within previous 2 years.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.ncbon.com/dcp/i/licensurelisting-renewalreinstatement-licensure-by-renewal-rnlpn">http://www.ncbon.com/dcp/i/licensurelisting-renewalreinstatement-licensure-by-renewal-rnlpn</a>				
North Dakota	Y	Annually	Y	12 contact hours of continuing education. All CE required for license renewal may be obtained online. If you recently received your first license in North Dakota and took an examination to receive it, and this is your first renewal of that nursing license, you are NOT REQUIRED to have completed CE courses. If you received your first license in North Dakota by endorsement from another state in the year you are renewing, you must complete 6 contact hours for renewal of your nursing license.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.ndbon.org/verify_renew/selection_renew.asp">https://www.ndbon.org/verify_renew/selection_renew.asp</a>				
Ohio	Y	8/31/2016	Y	(24) contact hours of continuing education during each licensure period. At least one (1) of the required contact hours must be, related to Chapter 4723 of the Ohio nurse practice code and rules (Category A). The LPN licensure period is two (2) years from September 1 of even numbered years through August 31 of the following even numbered year.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://license.ohio.gov/lookup/default.asp?division=86">https://license.ohio.gov/lookup/default.asp?division=86</a>				



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Oklahoma	Y	Annually	Y	meet one of five options for renewal within the two years prior to the date of expiration of the license. One of the options is to verify the completion of at least twenty-four (24) contact hours of continuing education applicable to nursing practice. Because at least one of the five options must have been completed within the two years prior to the date of expiration of the license, LPNs should begin planning for meeting their continuing qualifications requirements two years before they are due to renew in 2015. Visit Oklahoma Practice News for complete details.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.ok.gov/nursing/verify/index.php">https://www.ok.gov/nursing/verify/index.php</a>				
Oregon	Y	Every two years and expire at midnight the day before your birthday.	Y	seven hours of pain management-related CE. One hour must be a course to be provided by the Oregon Pain Management Commission. The remaining six hours can be your choice of pain management topics. Once this requirement is fulfilled, there is no additional CE requirements for renewal.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OSBN/Pages/OnlineApplicationHelp.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/OSBN/Pages/OnlineApplicationHelp.aspx</a>				
Pennsylvania	Y	6/30/2016	Y	30 hours of Board approved CE during biennial renewal periods. If the expiration date on your RN license is April 31, 2015 then you must complete 30 hours of Board approved CE from 5/1/13 through 4/30/2015.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.dosurvey.state.pa.us/Login.aspx">https://www.dosurvey.state.pa.us/Login.aspx</a>				
Rhode Island	Y	Biennial	Y	10 contact hours every 2 years. Online courses are acceptable.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://sos.ri.gov/rules/index.php?KEYWORD=&amp;AGENCY=108&amp;SORT=score&amp;ORDER=desc&amp;DOSEARCH=1&amp;page=result_search&amp;ADVANCED=">http://sos.ri.gov/rules/index.php?KEYWORD=&amp;AGENCY=108&amp;SORT=score&amp;ORDER=desc&amp;DOSEARCH=1&amp;page=result_search&amp;ADVANCED=</a>				
South Carolina	Y	Every 2 Years	Y	At least one of the following requirements during the licensure period: 1) Completion of thirty contact hours from a continuing education provider recognized by the board 2) Maintenance of certification or re-certification by a national certifying body recognized by the board 3) Completion of an academic program of study in nursing or a related field recognized by the board; OR 4) Verification of competency and the number of hours practiced as evidenced by employer certification on a form approved by the Board
Renewal Link: <a href="http://llr.sc.gov/index.asp?file=inc/Boards.htm">http://llr.sc.gov/index.asp?file=inc/Boards.htm</a>				



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South Dakota	Y	Annually	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.sdbon.org/verify/">https://www.sdbon.org/verify/</a>				
Tennessee	Y	Annually	N	Continuing Education for relicensure is not mandatory in Tennessee. However, mandatory continuing competency is required in Tennessee. In order to maintain continued competence, the board requires the nurse to have practiced in nursing in the last five (5) years and additionally, the Board sets out standards of competence and requirements to maintain competence.
Renewal Link: <a href="https://apps.tn.gov/hls-app/loginProfessional.jsp;jsessionid=BD6BC2B4AFACB94371E242F0968631E5.portalprod7">https://apps.tn.gov/hls-app/loginProfessional.jsp;jsessionid=BD6BC2B4AFACB94371E242F0968631E5.portalprod7</a>				
Texas	Y	Biennial	Y	20 contact hours every two years in their area of practice. CE content areas specified in the Texas nurse practice act include: Two contact hours related to forensic evidence collection for any LVN practicing in an emergency room setting (one-time requirement). Two contact hours related to older adults and geriatric populations for LVNs working with this population. Content related to tick-borne diseases for LVNs working with this population. Two contact hours of continuing education relating to nursing jurisprudence and nursing ethics before the end of every third two-year licensing period
Renewal Link: <a href="https://txapps.texas.gov/NASApp/bnexam/BNExamManager">https://txapps.texas.gov/NASApp/bnexam/BNExamManager</a>				
Utah	Y	1/31/2016	Y	30 contact hours, OR 200 practice hours and 15 contact hours, OR 400 practice hours.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.dopl.utah.gov/renewal.html">http://www.dopl.utah.gov/renewal.html</a>				
Vermont	Y	1/31/2016	N	No CE Required. However, the rule states the following: Continuing Education - The Board expects each licensee to assume individual responsibility for maintaining and improving competencies in current knowledge, skills, and abilities relevant to the individual's area of practice.
Renewal Link: <a href="http://nursinglicensemap.com/advanced-practice-nursing/vermont-nursing-license/">http://nursinglicensemap.com/advanced-practice-nursing/vermont-nursing-license/</a>				



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Virginia	Y	8/31/2016	Y	<p>Complete at least one of the following: Current specialty certification by a national certifying organization, as defined in 18VAC90-20-10.</p> <p>Completion of a minimum of three credit hours of post-licensure academic education relevant to nursing practice, offered by a regionally-accredited college or university.</p> <p>A board-approved refresher course in nursing.</p> <p>Completion of nursing-related, evidence-based practice project or research study.</p> <p>Completion of publication as the author or co-author during a renewal cycle.</p> <p>Teaching a nursing-related course resulting in no less than three semester hours of college credit or specialty certification.</p> <p>Teaching nursing-related continuing education courses for up to 30 contact hours.</p> <p>15 contact hours of workshops, seminars, conferences or courses relevant to the practice of nursing and 640 hours of active practice as a nurse.</p> <p>30 contact hours of workshops, seminars, conferences or courses relevant to the practice of nursing.</p>
Renewal Link: <a href="https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/mylicense/renewalintro.asp">https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/mylicense/renewalintro.asp</a>				
Washington	Y	Expires at midnight on your expiration date.	Y	<p>45 Continuing Hours; Conventional classroom education</p> <p>Workshops</p> <p>On-line education</p> <p>Submission of professional articles</p> <p>Self-study</p> <p>On the job learning pertaining to current practice</p> <p>Correspondence courses</p>
Renewal Link: <a href="http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/LicenseRenewals/RenewalsOnline">http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/LicenseRenewals/RenewalsOnline</a>				





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West Virginia	Y	6/30/2016	Y	<p>24 contact hours of continuing education and engage in 400 clock hours of LPN practice in each two-year reporting period. Reporting of continuing education occurs every two years on the even years.</p> <p>LPNs must complete a one-time requirement of two contact hours of end-of-life care including pain management.</p> <p>New Requirement – LPNs must complete three contact hours in substance abuse each two-year reporting period as part of the total required hours.</p> <p>For more information visit the West Virginia State Board of Examiners for Licensed Practical Nurses.</p>
Renewal Link: <a href="https://apps.wv.gov/Nursing/RNSearch/">https://apps.wv.gov/Nursing/RNSearch/</a>				
Wisconsin	N	4/30/2017	N	N/A
Renewal Link: <a href="https://online.drl.wi.gov/UserLogin.aspx">https://online.drl.wi.gov/UserLogin.aspx</a>				
Wyoming	Y	12/31/2016	Y	<p>20 contact hours in the last 2 years OR Combination of Nursing practice and contact hours OR Minimum 1600 hours in Nursing practice in the last 5 years OR Minimum 500 hours in Nursing practice in the last 2 years OR Passing NCLEX within the last 5 years OR National certification in specialty area in last 5 years OR Completion of a refresher/orientation program in the last 5 years</p>
Renewal Link: <a href="https://nursing-online.state.wy.us/Verifications.aspx">https://nursing-online.state.wy.us/Verifications.aspx</a>				