

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 405

BY SENATOR FOIL

NURSES. Provides relative to collaborative practice agreements between advanced practice registered nurses and licensed physicians or dentists. (8/1/20)

1 AN ACT
2 To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 37:913(9) and R.S. 37:913(9)(a),
3 relative to collaborative practice agreements between advanced practice registered
4 nurses and licensed physicians or dentists; to provide for the definition of
5 collaborative practice agreement; to provide for approval of the collaborative
6 practice agreement by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing and the Louisiana State
7 Board of Medical Examiners or Louisiana State Board of Dentistry; and to provide
8 for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. The introductory paragraph of R.S. 37:913(9) and R.S. 37:913(9)(a) are
11 hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

12 §913. Definitions

13 As used in this Part:

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15 (9) "Collaborative practice agreement" means a formal written statement
16 addressing the parameters of the collaborative practice which are mutually agreed
17 upon by the advanced practice registered nurse and one or more licensed physicians

1 or dentists, **subject to the joint approval of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing**
 2 **and the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners or the Louisiana State**
 3 **Board of Dentistry,** which shall include but not be limited to the following
 4 provisions:

5 (a) Availability of the collaborating physician **who shall be licensed to**
 6 **practice and be domiciled in Louisiana,** or dentist for consultation or referral, or
 7 both.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christine Arbo Peck.

DIGEST

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Present law defines "collaborative practice agreement" as a formal written statement addressing the parameters of the collaborative practice which are mutually agreed upon by the advanced practice registered nurse and one or more licensed physicians or dentists. Proposed law retains present law and adds a requirement that the agreement is subject to joint approval by the LSBN and the LSBME or LSBD.

Present law requires a collaborating physician to be available for consultation or referral, or both. Proposed law retains present law and adds a requirement that the collaborating physician must be licensed to practice and be domiciled in Louisiana.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 37:913(9)(intro para) and (a))