OCCUPATIONS CODE

TITLE 3. HEALTH PROFESSIONS

SUBTITLE A. PROVISIONS APPLYING TO HEALTH PROFESSIONS GENERALLY

CHAPTER 112. GENERAL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE

TO MULTIPLE HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 112.001.  DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1)  "Health care practitioner" means an individual issued a license, certificate, registration, title, permit, or other authorization to engage in a health care profession.

(2)  "Licensing entity" means a department, commission, board, office, authority, or other agency of the state that regulates activities and persons under this title.

Added by Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 1136 (H.B. [2680](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/79R/billtext/html/HB02680F.HTM)), Sec. 1, eff. June 18, 2005.

SUBCHAPTER B. SERVICES PROVIDED TO CHARITIES

Sec. 112.0501.  APPLICABILITY.  This subchapter applies only to licensing entities and health care practitioners under Chapters 401, 453, and 454 and Subtitles B, C, D, E, F, and K.

Added by Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 1136 (H.B. [2680](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/79R/billtext/html/HB02680F.HTM)), Sec. 1, eff. June 18, 2005.

Transferred, redesignated and amended from Occupations Code, Section 112.002 by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 354 (S.B. [912](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/89R/billtext/html/SB00912F.HTM)), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2025.

Sec. 112.051.  REDUCED LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR RETIRED HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS PERFORMING CHARITY WORK. (a) Each licensing entity shall adopt rules providing for reduced fees and continuing education requirements for a retired health care practitioner whose only practice is voluntary charity care.

(b)  The licensing entity by rule shall define voluntary charity care.

Added by Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 1136 (H.B. [2680](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/79R/billtext/html/HB02680F.HTM)), Sec. 1, eff. June 18, 2005.

SUBCHAPTER C. CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Sec. 112.101.  DEFINITIONS.  In this subchapter:

(1)  "Continuing education course" means a course, clinic, forum, lecture, program, or seminar that an individual must complete in order to maintain or renew a license.

(2)  "Continuing education provider" means a person that a licensing entity authorizes or approves to offer continuing education courses.

(3)  "Continuing education tracking system" means an electronic system a licensing entity establishes as required by Section 112.104.

(4)  "License" means a form of authorization a licensing entity issues, including a license, certificate, registration, or permit, that an individual must obtain to engage in a particular business, occupation, or profession.

Added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 354 (S.B. [912](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/89R/billtext/html/SB00912F.HTM)), Sec. 2, eff. September 1, 2025.

Sec. 112.102.  APPLICABILITY. (a)  Except as provided by Subsection (b), this subchapter applies only to a licensing entity that issues a license to a health care practitioner under this title.

(b)  This subchapter does not apply to Subtitle L.

Added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 354 (S.B. [912](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/89R/billtext/html/SB00912F.HTM)), Sec. 2, eff. September 1, 2025.

Sec. 112.103.  CONTINUING EDUCATION COMPLIANCE REQUIRED FOR LICENSE RENEWAL. (a)  Notwithstanding any other law, a licensing entity may not renew a health care practitioner's license unless the licensing entity verifies that the health care practitioner has complied with any continuing education requirements of the licensing entity.

(b)  Verification of a health care practitioner's compliance with continuing education requirements that the continuing education tracking system generates:

(1)  satisfies the requirement of Subsection (a); and

(2)  must be used in the conduct of any audit of health care practitioners the licensing entity conducts.

(c)  This section does not prohibit a licensing entity from imposing penalties under applicable statutes or rules for a health care practitioner's failure to comply with continuing education requirements.

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Sec. 112.104.  CONTINUING EDUCATION TRACKING SYSTEM. (a)  Each licensing entity by rule shall establish a continuing education tracking system for use by and accessible to health care practitioners, licensing entity staff, and continuing education providers.

(b)  A continuing education tracking system established under this subchapter may not require any licensing entity expenditure.

Added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 354 (S.B. [912](http://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/89R/billtext/html/SB00912F.HTM)), Sec. 2, eff. September 1, 2025.

Sec. 112.105.  DATA AND SYSTEMS REQUIREMENTS. (a)  A continuing education tracking system may collect and use only:

(1)  information that directly relates to a health care practitioner's compliance with continuing education requirements, including:

(A)  the name in which the health care practitioner's license is issued;

(B)  the health care practitioner's license number;

(C)  the license issue date;

(D)  the license expiration date; and

(E)  any other information disclosed to the public in response to a license verification request; and

(2)  other information the licensing entity designates by rule as necessary for the system's performance of a function required by this subchapter.

(b)  A continuing education tracking system established under Section 112.104 must:

(1)  if the continuing education tracking system is a cloud-based system, be certified under the state risk and authorization management program established under Section 2054.0593, Government Code; and

(2)  comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq.).

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Sec. 112.106.  RULEMAKING.  A licensing entity shall adopt rules necessary to implement this subchapter.

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