

## Registered Nurse Managed Care Organization Badge Attestation due August 28, 2015

HHSC requests MCOs to ensure service coordinator registered nurses (SC RNs) are able to be identified and an RN on their MCO badge. In addition, please provide your SC RNs with a copy of attachment “2. “Nurse Practice Act”.

### ATTESTATION REQUEST

Please send attestation on your MCO letterhead acknowledging that your MCO has reviewed the Nursing Practice Act and verified the required language and identification as an RN is located on the SC RN MCO badge no later than **close of business Friday, August 28, 2015**, to your Health Plan Management team. If this does not apply to your MCO, please send attestation indicating that it does not apply.

**NURSING PRACTICE ACT, NURSING PEER REVIEW & NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT  
TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE AND STATUES REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF NURSING  
As Amended September 2013 at  
[https://www.bon.texas.gov/laws\\_and\\_rules\\_nursing\\_practice\\_act\\_2013.asp#Sec.301.351](https://www.bon.texas.gov/laws_and_rules_nursing_practice_act_2013.asp#Sec.301.351)**

Subchapter H. Practice by License Holder

Sec.301.351.Designations.

(c) While interacting with the public in a nursing role, each nurse shall wear a clearly legible insignia identifying the nurse as a registered or vocational nurse. The insignia may not contain information other than:

- (1) the registered or vocational nurse designation;
- (2) the nurse's name, certifications, academic degrees, or practice position;
- (3) the name of the employing facility or agency, or other employer;
- (4) a picture of the nurse; or
- (5) any other information authorized by the board.

**Texas Administrative Code**

**TITLE 22 EXAMINING BOARDS**

**PART 11 TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING**

**CHAPTER 217 LICENSURE, PEER ASSISTANCE AND PRACTICE**

**RULE 217.10 Restrictions to Use of Designation for Licensed Vocational or Registered**

[http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p\\_dir=&p\\_rloc=&p\\_tloc=&p\\_ploc=&pg=1&p\\_tac=&ti=22&pt=11&ch=217&rl=10](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=22&pt=11&ch=217&rl=10)

(9) If a nurse holds herself or himself out to the public as being engaged in the practice of nursing, or used the designations "licensed vocational nurse", "vocational nurse", "LVN", "VN", "registered nurse", or "RN", or any combination or variation of those terms and abbreviations, alone or in combination with any other terms, then they must practice in accordance with the Nursing Practice Act and the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice.

(10)(b) Display of Designations.

(1) While interacting with the public in a nursing role, each licensed nurse shall wear a clearly legible insignia that:

(A) displays the nurse's name, but the manner in which the name appears, in reference to use of first name and/or last name, is the nurse's preference in accordance with facility policy, if applicable;

(B) identified the nurse as a registered nurse or vocational nurse according to licensure