

ENROLLED ACT NO. 96, SENATE

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2005 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to podiatrists; amending the definition of podiatry as specified; requiring service of a residency before licensing of podiatrists; requiring continuing education; amending definitions; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 33-9-101(a)(i), 33-9-104, 33-9-107, 33-9-110(a)(vi), by creating a new paragraph (vii) and 33-9-114(d) are amended to read:

33-9-101. Definitions.

(a) ~~Unless the context requires otherwise~~ As used in this act ~~;~~ the following definitions shall prevail:

(i) "Podiatry" means the diagnosis or the medical, mechanical or surgical treatment of the ailments of the human foot, ankle and tendons that insert into the foot. ~~It~~ Surgical treatment of the ankle and tendons that insert into the foot shall be limited to licensed podiatrists who have completed a podiatric surgical residency training program as approved by the board through rule and regulation. Podiatry also includes the fitting or the recommending of appliances, devices or shoes for the correction or relief of minor foot ailments. ~~but does not include the amputation of the foot or toes, or the administration of anesthetics other than local.~~ The practice of podiatric medicine shall include the amputation of the toes or other parts of the foot but shall not include the amputation of the foot or leg in its entirety. A podiatrist may not administer any anesthetic other than local. A general anesthesia shall be administered in a hospital by an anesthesiologist or certified nurse

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anesthetist authorized under the laws of this state to administer anesthesia. Podiatrists are permitted to use and to prescribe drugs and controlled substances as may be necessary in the practice of podiatry. ~~The word "podiatry" for the purposes of this act is synonymous in meaning to the word "chiroprody".~~

33-9-104. Applications for licenses.

Persons who wish to practice podiatry in this state shall make application on a form authorized and furnished by the board for a license to practice podiatry. This application shall be granted to an applicant after he has furnished satisfactory proof that he has satisfactorily completed two (2) years in a recognized college of liberal arts or of the sciences, and that he is a graduate of a regularly established school of podiatry recognized by the American ~~podiatry~~ Podiatric Medical Association or its successor and the board which requires as a prerequisite to graduation the completion of at least three thousand three hundred sixty (3,360) scholastic hours of classroom work. A school of podiatry shall not be accredited by the board if it does not require for graduation at least four (4) years of instruction in the study of podiatry. Every applicant for a license to practice podiatry shall have successfully completed a residency approved by the board through rules and regulations. This requirement applies only to applicants who graduate from podiatric college after July 1, 2005. After the application has been accepted by the board, together with the payment of the license fee, the applicant must pass a satisfactory examination as prepared under the rules and regulations of the board.

33-9-107. Licensing matters.

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A license issued under W.S. 33-9-101 through 33-9-114 shall be designated a "registered podiatrist's license" and may not contain any abbreviations thereof nor any other designation or title except that a statement of limitation shall be contained in the license referring to the licensee as a "registered podiatrist - practice limited to the foot and ankle", so as not to mislead the public with respect to their right to treat other portions of the body. A renewal license fee in an amount established by the board pursuant to W.S. 33-1-201 shall be due to the board annually on July 1 each year, and if not paid within three (3) months the license shall be revoked and may be reissued only upon an additional application and payment of a fee in an amount established by the board pursuant to W.S. 33-1-201. Application for renewal shall be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board of compliance with participation in continuing education activities as established by rules and regulations of the board. The board may waive the continuing education requirement for the first renewal of a license. Licenses shall be conspicuously displayed by podiatrists at their offices or other places of practice.

33-9-110. Revocation of license.

(a) After notice and opportunity for hearing under the terms of the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act, the board may revoke or refuse to renew a license granted under this act to any person otherwise qualified who is guilty of any of the following violations:

(vi) Selling or giving away alcohol or controlled substances for illegal purposes, but the board may reissue a license after six (6) months if in its judgment the act, acts or conditions of disqualification have been remedied; ~~:-~~

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(vii) Failure to furnish evidence showing the satisfaction of the requirements of continuing education required by the board.

33-9-114. Education and training standards for unlicensed podiatric personnel exposing ionizing radiation; mandatory machine inspections; exemptions.

(d) Any licensed podiatrist using an x-ray machine shall have that machine inspected by a qualified radiation expert ~~at least annually~~ periodically as determined by the board.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2005.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____
DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk