

Nurses, Right to Take Examination For. Examination for Nurses, Right to Take. Certificate for Nurse, Who Entitled to Take Examination for.

Under the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 50, Session Laws of the Thirteenth Legislative Assembly, any person of the required age, who presents the credentials therein required, is entitled to take the examination for a certificate.

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Mrs. N. Lester Bennett,
Butte, Montana.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of your communication under date the 22d instant, asking for my opinion upon the status of a nurse who claims to have graduated from a training school, but the record of which graduation seems to be incomplete, so as to make authentication thereof impossible. I assume that the question you wish answered is whether this person may be given a certificate of registration upon a successful passing of an examination. Section 10 of Chapter 50, Session Laws of the 13th Legislative Assembly provides in part as follows:

"Any person of the required age, who has pursued as a business the vocation of nursing for a period of not less than five years prior to the passage of this act, and who presents to the board a certificate that he or she is a competent person to give efficient care to the sick, said certificate being signed by one licensed physician in active practice of the profession of medicine and two registered nurses, provided for by this Act, may register after taking and passing an examination given by the said board at any time within two years following the passage of this act."

Upon the record disclosed by the application of the person in question, I think she would be entitled to take an examination as provided by the portion of the law above quoted upon furnishing the certificate required therein, and that she would be entitled to a certificate of registration upon passing such examination.

This provision of the law seems to have been enacted for the express purpose of allowing persons in the situation of the applicant to be examined and to be registered upon passing a sufficient examination.

Yours very truly,

D. M. KELLY,
Attorney General.