

By: Representative Clark (By Request)

To: Public Health and Human
Services

HOUSE BILL NO. 838

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-121-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE PRACTITIONERS OF NURSING WHO HAVE AN ACTIVE
3 COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT WITH A PHYSICIAN TO DISPLAY ON ALL SIGNAGE
4 RELATING TO THE PRACTITIONER THE NAME OF THE PHYSICIAN WITH WHOM
5 THE PRACTITIONER OF NURSING IS COLLABORATING; AND FOR RELATED
6 PURPOSES.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 41-121-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 41-121-7. (1) An advertisement for health care services
11 that names a health care practitioner must identify the type of
12 license held according to the definitions under this chapter. The
13 advertisement shall be free from any and all deceptive or
14 misleading information.

15 (2) A health care practitioner providing health care
16 services in this state must conspicuously post in their office and
17 affirmatively communicate the practitioner's specific licensure as
18 defined under this chapter. This shall consist of the following:
19 The health care practitioner shall display in his or her office a
20 writing that clearly identifies the type of license held by the



21 health care practitioner. The writing must be of sufficient size
22 so as to be visible and apparent to all current and prospective
23 patients.

24 (3) Practitioners of nursing, signified by the letters
25 "D.N.P.," "N.P." or "C.R.N.A.," who have an active collaborative
26 agreement with a physician shall display on all signage required
27 by this section the name of the physician with whom the
28 practitioner of nursing is collaborating. All signage relating to
29 those practitioners of nursing shall be updated to reflect the
30 name of the collaborating physician of the practitioner not later
31 than July 1, 2019.

32 (* * *4) A health care practitioner who practices in more
33 than one (1) office shall be required to comply with these
34 requirements in each practice setting.

35 (* * *5) Health care practitioners working in nonpatient
36 care settings, and who do not have any direct patient care
37 interactions, are not subject to the provisions of this chapter.

38 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
39 and after July 1, 2018.

