

**RCW 18.79.050 "Advanced registered nursing practice" defined—Exceptions. (Effective until June 30, 2027.)** "Advanced registered nursing practice" means the performance of the acts of a registered nurse and the performance of an expanded role in providing health care services as recognized by the medical and nursing professions, the scope of which is defined by rule by the board. Upon approval by the board, an advanced registered nurse practitioner may prescribe legend drugs and controlled substances contained in Schedule V of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, chapter 69.50 RCW, and Schedules II through IV subject to RCW 18.79.240(1) (r) or (s).

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**Expiration date—2025 c 58 ss 5004, 5005, 5006, 5010, 5012, 5013, 5014, 5016, 5017, 5018, 5019, 5020, 5024, 5029, 5030, 5043, 5044, 5045, 5047, 5048, 5049, 5051, 5052, 5053, and 5055:** See note following RCW 18.79.040.

**Explanatory note—2025 c 58:** See note following RCW 1.16.050.

**Effective date—2000 c 64 ss 1-3:** "Sections 1 through 3 of this act take effect July 1, 2000." [2000 c 64 s 8.]

**Severability—2000 c 64:** "If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected." [2000 c 64 s 9.]

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