

OPTIONS WHEN CEASING PRACTICE

WHEN YOU OBTAIN DELINQUENT STATUS:

- You are not allowed to practice.
- Delinquent Status is obtained by not renewing your license on time.
- License will automatically cancel after three years.
- License can return to Active Status after meeting the following requirements:
 - Paying required fees and any delinquency fees.
 - Providing proof of CE compliance (if less than three years in delinquent status).
 - Taking and passing the CLRE and NBEO Clinical Skills Exam (if more than three years in delinquent status).
 - Requirements may vary if you have an active license in another state.

Authority cited: Business and Professions Code (BPC) §§ 3147.6, 3147.7, 3152.

WHEN YOU OBTAIN INACTIVE STATUS:

- No practice allowed.
- Can be selected on your regular license renewal.
- Must be renewed every two years.
- No CE is required for inactive status renewal.
- Renewal fee is the same as an active license.

License can return to active status with proof of CE compliance and payment of renewal fee, if due.

Authority cited: BPC §§ 700–704.

WHEN YOU OBTAIN RETIRED STATUS:

- No practice allowed.
- Obtained by submitting [an application](#) and \$25 fee—available on **BreEze**.
- Cannot be renewed.
- License can return to active status after meeting the following requirements:
 - Pay required fees and any delinquency fees.
 - Provide proof of CE compliance (if less than three years in Retired Status). Take and pass the CLRE and NBEO Clinical Skills Exam (if more than three years in Retired Status).

Authority cited: BPC §§ 3151–3152.

WHEN YOU OBTAIN RETIRED VOLUNTEER STATUS:

- Can practice on an unpaid basis **ONLY** and **ONLY** at health fairs, visions screenings, and public service eye programs.
- Obtained by submitting [an application](#) and \$50 fee—available on **BreEze**.
- Must be renewed every two years.
- Renewal fee is \$50.
- Continuing Education **IS** required for renewal.
- License can return to Active Status after meeting the following requirements:
 - Pay required fees and any delinquency fees.
 - Provide proof of CE compliance (if less than three years in Retired Volunteer status).

Authority cited: BPC §§ 3151.1–3152.

