

4.1 Declaratory Order

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All prelicensure nursing students must submit a Declaratory Order (DO) if they have any history of criminal activity, alcohol/substance abuse, or mental illness. Go to the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) website (link below) and read the guidelines to determine if a DO form must be submitted.

https://www.bon.texas.gov/forms_declaratory_order.asp.html

It is the student's responsibility to read and respond, if needed, to the Order. Failure to file the Order with the BON in a timely manner could prevent the student from being admitted to the nursing program and/or eligible to take the NCLEX-RN. All information provided to the BON is confidential.

The website for the Texas Board of Nursing is <https://www.bon.texas.gov/>. All forms required to apply for licensure are obtained from this website. If unsure whether an Order should be filed, contact the BSN Program Director.

The website for the [National Council of State Boards of Nursing \(NCSBN\)](#) provides information about the NCLEX-RN.