

**WAC 246-803-400 Inactive status.** (1) An acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner may obtain an inactive license by meeting the requirements of WAC 246-12-090.

(2) An inactive license must be renewed every year on the acupuncturist's or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner's birthday according to WAC 246-12-100 and 246-803-990.

(3) If a license is inactive for three years or less, to return to active status an acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner must meet the requirements of WAC 246-12-110 and 246-803-990.

(4) If a license is inactive for more than three years and the acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner has been actively practicing in another state of the United States or its major territories, to return to active status the acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner must:

(a) Provide certification of an active acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner license, submitted directly from another licensing entity. The certification shall include the license number, issue date, expiration date and whether the acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner has been the subject of final or pending disciplinary action;

(b) Provide verification of current active practice in another state of the United States or its major territories for the last three years; and

(c) Meet the requirements of WAC 246-12-110 and 246-803-990.

(5) If a license is inactive for more than three years, and the acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner has not been actively practicing in another state of the United States or its major territories, to return to active status the acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner must provide:

(a) A written request to change licensure status;

(b) Meet the requirements of WAC 246-12-110 and 246-803-990;

(c) Proof of successful completion of the examinations as required in WAC 246-803-240 (2) (a), (b), and (c) within the past year; and

(d) Written certification of all acupuncturist, acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner or health care licenses held, submitted directly from the licensing agency. The certification shall include the license number, issue date, expiration date and whether the acupuncturist or acupuncturist and Eastern medicine practitioner has been the subject of final or pending disciplinary action.

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