

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §29-29-4

## **§29-29-4. Exemption from professional licensure.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, any individual rendering services in this state in connection with any event or program offered by the nonprofit youth organization is exempt from obtaining an authorization to practice from the appropriate licensing agency of this state while providing services within the limits of his or her authorization to practice, but is required to obtain a nonprofit volunteer permit.

(b) The nonprofit youth organization may issue a nonprofit volunteer permit to an applicant, who is a registered volunteer of the nonprofit youth organization serving as a volunteer, without compensation, in connection with any event or program offered by the organization, if:

(1) All authorizations held by the medical services applicant are valid, unrestricted without limitation or condition and in good standing: Provided, That any medical services applicant issued a permit pursuant to this article shall:

(A) Not have prescriptive authority;

(B) Not dispense a Schedule II or Schedule III controlled substance, but may dispense pharmaceutical drugs in a manner consistent with the applicant's training and experience; and

(C) At all times be subject to the direction of nonprofit volunteer organization medical director.

(2) All authorizations held by the law-enforcement applicant are valid, unrestricted without limitation or condition and in good standing and the applicant is deputized by the Superintendent of the West Virginia State Police pursuant to subsection (e), section twelve, article two, chapter fifteen of this code prior to rendering any law-enforcement services: Provided, That:

(A) Any permit issued pursuant to this article shall not supersede the authority or duty of a law-enforcement officer certified pursuant to article twenty-nine, chapter thirty of this code to preserve law and order on the premises;

(B) The Superintendent of the West Virginia State Police has sole discretion in determining whether to deputize any law-enforcement applicant; and

(C) The jurisdiction for a law-enforcement applicant issued a permit pursuant to the provisions of this article shall be limited to:

(i) The property owned by the nonprofit youth organization;

(ii) Any street, road or thoroughfare, except controlled access and open country highways, immediately adjacent to or passing through the property owned by the nonprofit youth organization; and

(iii) Areas of operations in support of an event sponsored by the nonprofit youth organization.

(D) A law-enforcement applicant issued a permit pursuant to the provisions of this article shall at all times be subject to the direction of the Superintendent of the West Virginia State Police.

(3) All authorizations held by the emergency medical service applicant are valid, unrestricted without limitation or condition and in good standing: Provided, That any emergency medical service applicant issued a permit pursuant to this article shall:

(A) Not have prescriptive authority;

(B) Not dispense a Schedule II or Schedule III controlled substance, but may dispense pharmaceutical drugs in a manner consistent with the applicant's training and experience; and

(C) At all times be subject to the direction of nonprofit volunteer organization medical director.

(c) Any services rendered by a permittee shall at all times be performed under the guidelines and instructions of the nonprofit volunteer organization.

(d) A nonprofit volunteer permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this article may only be valid for a period not to exceed ninety days in a calendar year.

(e) Unless otherwise provided, the nonprofit youth organization shall take final action upon all completed permit applications within thirty days of receipt if the application is uncontested, or within ninety days if the application is contested.