

Body Piercing & Tattoo Apprentice Sponsor

- Upon filing an application with the Department any person meeting the qualifications set forth in this section shall be able to sponsor a body piercing or tattoo apprentice if the person:
 - (1) Holds an Oklahoma body piercing or tattoo artist license; and
 - (2) Provides documentation of legally practicing body piercing or tattooing for at least five years (examples would be licenses or tax records); and
 - (3) Provides a curriculum to the Department for approval.
- The sponsor shall develop a curriculum as listed in 310:233-9-6 for body piercing or tattooing in the apprentice program.
- The sponsor shall not have more than one apprentice working on their curriculum at one time. The sponsor shall have no more than one apprentice working under supervision with an apprentice license.

Curriculum Requirements For The Apprentice program

- Curriculum requirements shall be taught over a minimum of 1500 hours to include the following:
 - (1) Microbiology;
 - (2) Sanitation and disinfection;
 - (3) Safety;
 - (4) Bloodborne pathogen standards;
 - (5) Professional standards; and
 - (6) Body piercing or tattooing.
- The apprentice program shall be a minimum of one (1) year and no more than two (2) years in length.
- The apprentice license to practice body piercing or tattooing shall be under the direct face to face supervision of their apprentice sponsor.
- During the apprentice training, the supervising artist shall submit the quarterly reports and weekly log sheets every 3 months to the Department. It is the responsibility of the apprentice and the supervising artist to retain copies of the reports submitted to the Department for documentation of accumulated apprentice hours.
- An Oklahoma licensed artist who employs an apprentice shall provide direct supervision over an apprentice for what constitutes a complete day.
*****Under no circumstance should an apprentice be left unsupervised.*****
- The supervising artist shall submit to the State Department of Health quarterly reports and weekly log sheets of hours accumulated by the apprentice, every three (3) months. Credit shall not be allowed for any hours received prior to registering with the Department.